

**HENDRY COUNTY,
FLORIDA**

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

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FINANCE DIRECTOR**

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

**COMBINED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

**INCLUDING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS,
AND COMPONENT UNIT**

SECTION I

COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Report of Independent Auditor

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the discretely presented component unit and the aggregate remaining fund information of Hendry County, Florida (the "County"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the discretely presented component unit and aggregate remaining fund information of the County as of September 30, 2021, and respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund and County Transportation Trust Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the County adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, effective October 1, 2020. As a result, related net position and fund balance for certain funds have been restated. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information, as provided in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining statements and schedules and statistical section as provided in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, and are also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedure in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Information, Continued

In our opinion, the combining statements and schedules and the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2022, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

**MANAGEMENT
DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**

Hendry County, Florida

Management's Discussion and Analysis

This discussion and analysis of Hendry County's (the "County") financial statements is designed to introduce the basic financial statements and provide an analytical overview of the County's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The basic financial statements are comprised of the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and footnotes. We hope this will assist readers in identifying significant financial issues and changes in the County's financial position.

Financial Highlights

- At the close of fiscal year 2021 the County's total assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, resulting in a net position of \$67,167,055 an increase of \$6,940,300 over last year. Governmental and business-type assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows by \$49,823,575 and \$17,343,480, respectively, which was an increase of \$3,746,344 for governmental assets and deferred outflows and an increase of \$3,193,956 for business-type assets and deferred outflows.
- Total revenues for governmental activities were \$72,854,985, which was an increase of \$10,685,120 over prior year.
- Total expenses for governmental activities were \$69,108,641, which was an increase of \$3,950,083 over prior year.
- Noncurrent liabilities are reported at \$24,931,987 on September 30, 2021 for governmental activities and \$6,559,079 for business-type activities.
- Capital Assets net of depreciation are reported at \$82,225,018 on September 30, 2021 for all fund types.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (statement of net assets and statement of activities) concentrate on the County as a whole and do not emphasize fund types but rather a governmental or a business-type classification, which are presented in separate columns. The governmental and business-type activities comprise the primary government and are reported separate from the component units for which the County is accountable.

General governmental and intergovernmental revenues support the governmental activities, whereas business-type activities are primarily supported by user fees and charges for services. The purpose of the government-wide financial statements is to allow the user to be able to analyze the County's total financial position.

The statement of activities reflect the expenses of a given function or segment, which are offset by program revenues. Program revenues are defined as charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions directly associated with a given function. Taxes are reported under general revenue.

Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity or retained earnings, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The County's funds are presented in separate fund financial statements. These funds are presented on a governmental fund financial statement and a proprietary fund financial statement. The County's major funds are presented in separate columns on the fund financial statements. The definition of a major fund is one that meets certain criteria set-forth in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements Number 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments (GASB 34). The funds that do not meet the criteria of a major fund are considered non-major funds and are combined into a single column on the fund financial statements.

The County adopts an annual budget for all funds. A budgetary comparison has been presented for the General Fund, County Transportation Trust Fund, and Solid Waste Disposal Fund, which compares not only actual results to budget but also the original adopted budget to final budget.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared on the modified accrual basis using current financial resources measurement focus. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets.

Four of the County's governmental funds, the General Fund, County Transportation Trust Fund, Solid Waste Disposal Fund, and Capital Projects Fund are classified as major funds. All other governmental funds are combined into a single column on the governmental fund financial statements. Individual fund data for the non-major funds are found in combining statement as supplemental financial data.

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Proprietary fund financial statements like government-wide financial statements are prepared on the full accrual basis. Proprietary funds record both operating and non-operating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues are those that are obtained from the operations of the proprietary fund.

The County reports their Port LaBelle Utility System in the proprietary fund financial statement. This enterprise fund represents our water and sewer system that the county owns and operates.

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statement

The fiduciary fund financial statement is not included in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's programs. The only type of fiduciary funds the County maintains, custodial funds, are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

The government-wide financial statements were designed so that the user could determine if the County is in a better or worse condition from the prior year.

The following is a condensed summary of net position for the primary government for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 with increases and decreases.

Hendry County, Florida
Summary of Net Position with Prior Year Comparison
September 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities 2020	Governmental Activities 2021	Governmental Activities Inc / (Dec)	Business-type Activities 2020	Business-type Activities 2021	Business-type Activities Inc / (Dec)	All Activities Total 2021	All Activities Total Inc / (Dec)
Current & Other assets	\$ 23,669,735	\$ 34,590,556	\$ 10,920,821	\$ 5,796,626	\$ 9,087,233	\$ 3,290,607	\$ 43,677,789	\$ 14,211,428
Capital assets	66,653,670	66,157,783	(495,887)	16,990,616	16,067,235	(923,381)	82,225,018	(1,419,268)
Deferred outflows	13,800,962	8,601,713	(5,199,249)	242,288	152,025	(90,263)	8,753,738	(5,289,512)
Total assets and deferred outflows	104,124,367	109,350,052	5,225,685	23,029,530	25,306,493	2,276,963	134,656,545	7,502,648
Current & Other liabilities	9,269,597	13,057,857	3,788,260	1,042,102	219,892	(822,210)	13,277,749	2,966,050
Non-current liabilities	46,237,883	24,931,987	(21,305,896)	7,790,265	7,370,474	(419,791)	32,302,461	(21,725,687)
Deferred inflows	2,539,656	21,536,633	18,996,977	47,639	372,647	325,008	21,909,280	19,321,985
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	58,047,136	59,526,477	1,479,341	8,880,006	7,963,013	(916,993)	67,489,490	562,348
Net position:								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	62,507,191	59,015,310	(3,491,881)	9,599,700	9,320,271	(279,429)	68,335,581	(3,771,310)
Restricted	794,988	205,408	(589,580)	4,026,450	5,384,045	1,357,595	5,589,453	768,015
Unrestricted	(17,224,948)	(9,397,143)	7,827,805	523,374	2,639,164	2,115,790	(6,757,979)	9,943,595
Total Net Position	\$ 46,077,231	\$ 49,823,575	\$ 3,746,344	\$ 14,149,524	\$ 17,343,480	\$ 3,193,956	\$ 67,167,055	\$ 6,940,300

Investment in capital assets, net of related debt is the largest portion of the net assets. This represents capital assets (land, buildings, improvements, equipment, furniture, vehicles, and infrastructure), net of accumulated depreciation, and the outstanding related debt used to acquire the assets.

The restricted net position balance of \$5,589,453 in 2021 represents contractual obligations and capital project requirements in 2021.

The unrestricted net position balance of (\$6,757,979) represents assets that are available for spending at the County's discretion, however, it is important to note that this balance is county wide and there are restrictions within each source of funds as to what these funds can be used for.

Governmental Activities Analysis

Governmental Revenue Accounts increased 17% from 2020 to 2021. The majority of this variance is due to increases in ad-valorem taxes, grant income due to major road and airport grants coming to completion and other income increases due to Cares Act funding in Fiscal Year 2021. Expenses increased 6.06% in 2021. These increases are related to increases in Salaries and Benefits associated with cost of living, insurance and retirement. The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County Staff as well as all Hendry County Constitutional Officials have worked diligently to become more efficient and cost effective over the past few years and will continue this process into the future.

Business Activities Analysis

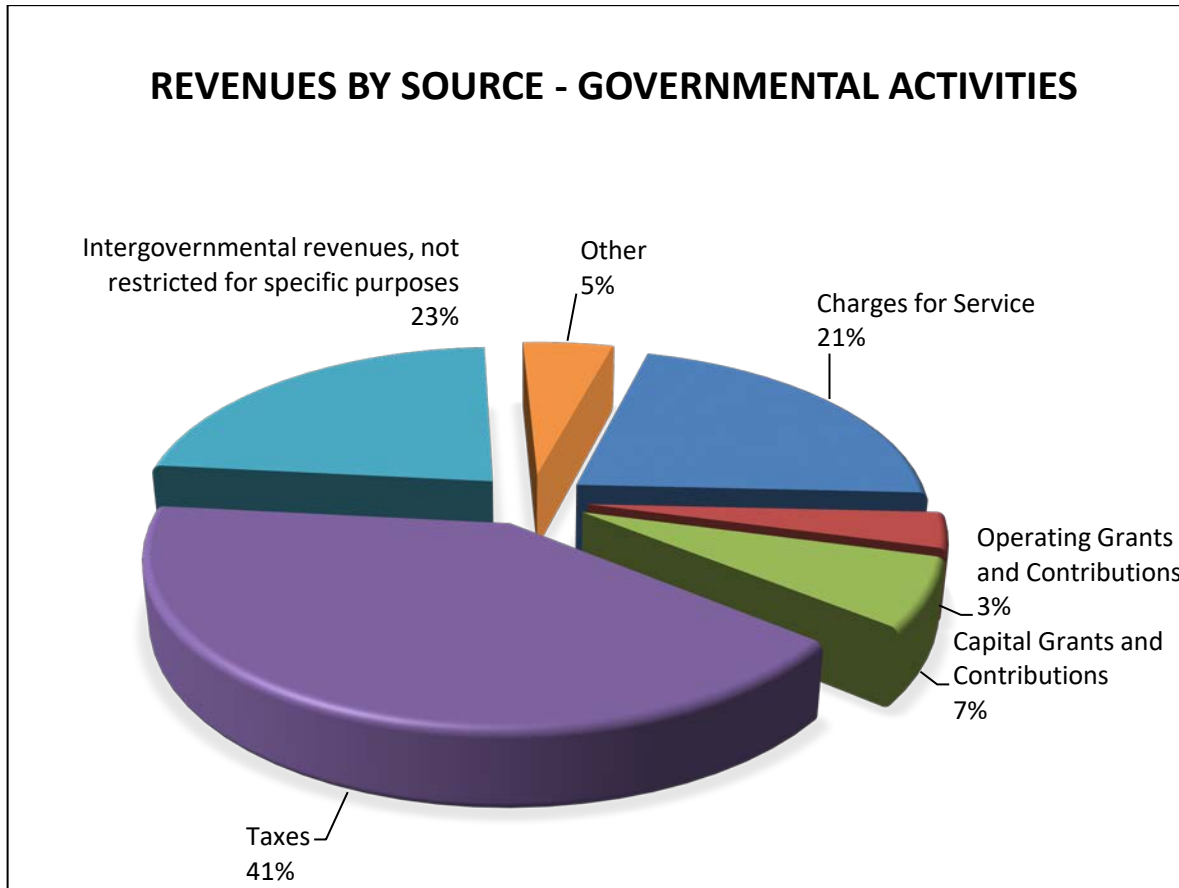
The Port LaBelle Utility System had increases in revenue and expenses due to the economic growth in the Port LaBelle area. New homes were built and existing inventory purchases causing revenues to increase.

The following schedule represents Summary of Revenues and Expenditures and Changes in Net Position for the year September 30, 2021.

Hendry County, Florida					
Summary of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position					
As of September 30, 2021					
	Governmental Activities 2020	Governmental Activities 2021	Business-type Activities 2020	Business-type Activities 2021	Total 2021
Revenues:					
Program Revenues:					
Charges for Service	\$ 9,782,324	\$ 15,733,994	\$ 2,018,236	\$ 6,256,216	\$ 21,990,210
Operating Grants and Contributions	1,745,326	2,482,087	-	-	2,482,087
Capital Grants and Contributions	7,804,560	4,821,421	-	-	4,821,421
General Revenues:					
Taxes	27,511,971	29,774,504	-	-	29,774,504
Impact Fees	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental revenues, not restricted for specific purposes	12,248,274	16,479,577	-	-	16,479,577
Other	3,077,410	3,563,402	383,892	90,947	3,654,349
Total Revenues	62,169,865	72,854,985	2,402,128	6,347,163	79,202,148
Expenses:					
Program Activities:					
General Government	18,584,788	18,924,837	-	-	18,924,837
Court Related	2,475,520	2,484,920	-	-	2,484,920
Public Safety	25,975,121	27,083,051	-	-	27,083,051
Physical Environment	3,944,073	4,420,841	-	-	4,420,841
Transportation	9,627,329	10,818,412	-	-	10,818,412
Economic environment	1,150,032	1,605,159	-	-	1,605,159
Culture and recreation	996,211	1,076,443	-	-	1,076,443
Human Services	2,240,572	2,483,362	-	-	2,483,362
Interest on long-term debt	164,912	211,616	-	-	211,616
Business-type activities:					
Water and wastewater	-	-	2,999,889	3,153,207	3,153,207
	65,158,558	69,108,641	2,999,889	3,153,207	72,261,848
Increase in net position	(2,988,693)	3,746,344	(597,761)	3,193,956	6,940,300
Beginning Net position, October 1	49,065,924	46,077,231	14,747,285	14,149,524	60,226,755
Ending Net position, September 30	\$ 46,077,231	\$ 49,823,575	\$ 14,149,524	\$ 17,343,480	\$ 67,167,055

Governmental Activities

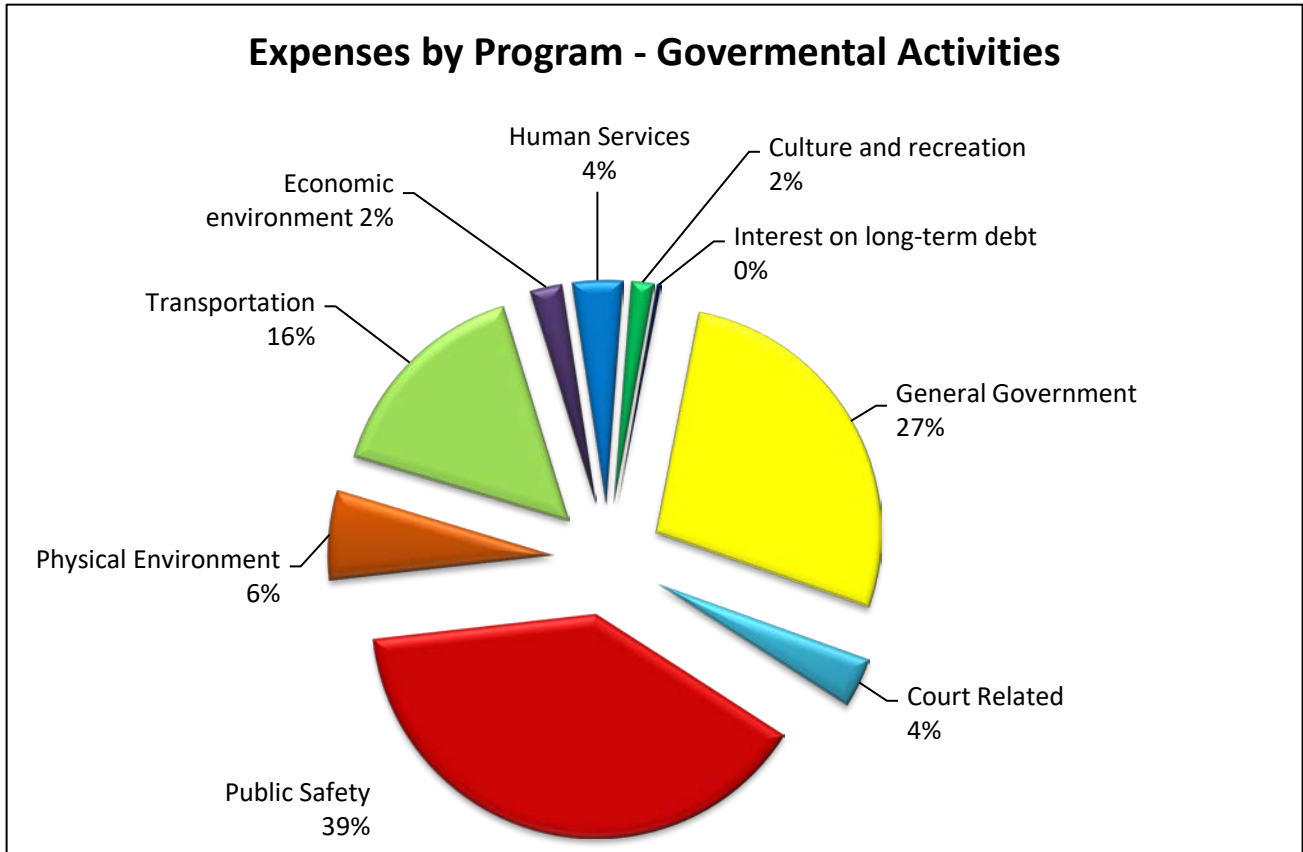
The following is a chart of revenues by source for governmental activities by percent of total revenues for fiscal year 2021.



<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Percent of Total Revenue</u>
Charges for Service	\$ 15,733,994	22%
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,482,087	3%
Capital Grants and Contributions	4,821,421	7%
Taxes	29,774,504	41%
Intergovernmental revenues, not restricted for specific purposes	16,479,577	23%
Other	3,563,402	5%
	<u>\$ 72,854,985</u>	<u>100%</u>

Governmental Activities - Continued

The following is a chart of expenses by program for governmental activities for fiscal year 2021.

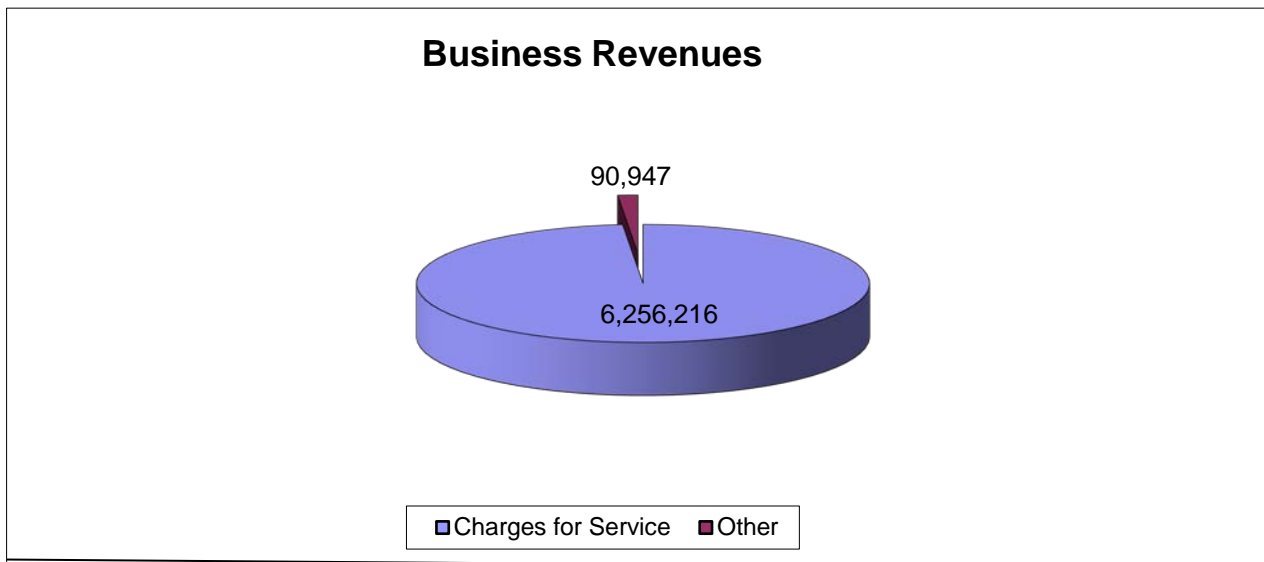


Program	Expenses	Percent of Total Expense
General Government	\$ 18,924,837	27%
Court Related	2,484,920	4%
Public Safety	27,083,051	39%
Physical Environment	4,420,841	6%
Transportation	10,818,412	16%
Economic environment	1,605,159	2%
Human Services	2,483,362	4%
Culture and recreation	1,076,443	2%
Interest on long-term debt	211,616	0%
Totals	\$ 69,108,641	100.00%

Business-Type Activities

The following is a chart of Revenues by Source for our Business Activities for fiscal year 2021. Our Business Activities consist of Port LaBelle Utilities. Total Revenues created from Charges for Services consisted of \$6,256,216. This represents charges for water/sewer usage. Miscellaneous revenues totaling \$90,947 resulted from interest revenue and miscellaneous charges.

All business type expenditures for fiscal year 2021 consisted of water and wastewater expenses to operate Port LaBelle Utility Systems and administrative fees.



Financial Analysis

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds use the current financial resources measurement focus that focus on near-term inflows and outflows. The General Fund is the general operating fund that is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Fine & Forfeiture fund is comprised to fund the Hendry County Sheriff’s office, probation department, courthouse security, mandated costs for law enforcement, and other misc. items to do with the same.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary funds are comprised of enterprise funds and internal service funds. An enterprise fund is used to account for activities for which a fee is charged to external users for goods and services. Internal service funds are those that provide a service, primarily within the government, and charge a recovery fee.

Financial Analysis - Continued

Capital Assets

Non-depreciable capital assets include land and construction in progress. Depreciable assets include buildings, improvements other than buildings, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure. Total Capital assets total \$82,225,018. This is a decrease of \$1,419,268 over prior year.

Debt Administration

At September 30, 2021, the County had a total of governmental and business-type long-term liabilities of \$33,155,161. Governmental liabilities of \$26,050,858 mostly consisted of pension related liabilities of \$11,359,483, other post-employment benefits of \$5,247,249, and notes and capital leases payable of \$7,142,473. Additionally, business-type liabilities of \$7,104,303 mostly consisted of revenue bonds of \$5,492,600 and notes payable of \$1,254,364.

Request for information

This financial report is designed to provide the reader an overview of the County. Questions regarding any information provided in this report should be directed to: Hendry County Clerk of Courts, Finance Department, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935, phone (863) 675-5322.

**BASIC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2021

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,767,938	\$ 2,911,545	\$ 16,679,483
Investments, at fair value	14,094,058	-	14,094,058
Prepaid expenses	36,348	-	36,348
Receivables (net)	3,191,066	1,490,181	4,681,247
Interfund balances	698,538	(698,538)	-
Due from other governments	2,802,608	-	2,802,608
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	-	3,529,050	3,529,050
Investments, at fair value	-	1,854,995	1,854,995
Capital assets:			
Non-depreciable	23,558,475	537,006	24,095,481
Depreciable, net	42,599,308	15,530,229	58,129,537
TOTAL ASSETS	100,748,339	25,154,468	125,902,807
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to OPEB	977,137	21,235	998,372
Related to pensions	7,624,576	130,790	7,755,366
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	8,601,713	152,025	8,753,738
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	3,688,704	172,858	3,861,562
Accrued liabilities	940,776	47,034	987,810
Unearned revenue	4,590,747	-	4,590,747
Due to other governments	580,754	-	580,754
Other liabilities	2,017,796	-	2,017,796
Liabilities payable from restricted assets:			
Current portion of long term debt	1,118,871	545,224	1,664,095
Customer deposits	120,209	266,171	386,380
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due in more than one year	24,931,987	6,559,079	31,491,066
TOTAL LIABILITIES	37,989,844	7,590,366	45,580,210
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to OPEB	702,205	15,260	717,465
Related to pensions	20,834,428	357,387	21,191,815
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	21,536,633	372,647	21,909,280
NET POSITION			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	59,015,310	9,320,271	68,335,581
Restricted for:			
Contractual obligations	-	5,384,045	5,384,045
General government	205,408	-	205,408
Unrestricted	(9,397,143)	2,639,164	(6,757,979)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 49,823,575	\$ 17,343,480	\$ 67,167,055

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
September 30, 2021

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>
Primary government:				
Governmental Activities :				
General government	\$ 18,924,837	\$ 6,733,156	\$ -	\$ 464,127
Court related	2,484,920	6,029,690	-	-
Public safety	27,083,051	1,585,109	31,292	1,127,941
Physical environment	4,420,841	183,575	-	93,750
Transportation	10,818,412	1,134,248	1,956,653	3,078,025
Economic environment	1,605,159	61,431	494,142	-
Culture and recreation	1,076,443	6,785	-	13,691
Human services	2,483,362	-	-	43,887
Interest on long-term debt	211,616	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	69,108,641	15,733,994	2,482,087	4,821,421
Business-type Activities :				
Water and Wastewater	3,153,207	6,256,216	-	-
Total primary government	\$ 72,261,848	\$ 21,990,210	\$ 2,482,087	\$ 4,821,421

General revenues :

Taxes

 Property taxes

 Gasoline taxes

 Communications taxes

 Other taxes

Licenses and permits

Fines and forfeitures

Intergovernmental revenues

Miscellaneous

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position, beginning

Net position, ending

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Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Primary Government		
Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
\$(11,727,554)	\$ -	\$(11,727,554)
3,544,770	-	3,544,770
(24,338,709)	-	(24,338,709)
(4,143,516)	-	(4,143,516)
(4,649,486)	-	(4,649,486)
(1,049,586)	-	(1,049,586)
(1,055,967)	-	(1,055,967)
(2,439,475)	-	(2,439,475)
(211,616)	-	(211,616)
<u>(46,071,139)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(46,071,139)</u>
-	3,103,009	3,103,009
<u>(46,071,139)</u>	<u>3,103,009</u>	<u>(42,968,130)</u>
18,650,769	-	18,650,769
1,392,274	-	1,392,274
110,842	-	110,842
9,620,619	-	9,620,619
1,485,350	-	1,485,350
304,753	-	304,753
16,479,577	-	16,479,577
1,773,299	90,947	1,864,246
<u>49,817,483</u>	<u>90,947</u>	<u>49,908,430</u>
3,746,344	3,193,956	6,940,300
<u>46,077,231</u>	<u>14,149,524</u>	<u>60,226,755</u>
<u>\$ 49,823,575</u>	<u>\$ 17,343,480</u>	<u>\$ 67,167,055</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2021

	General	County Transportation Trust	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,938,547	\$ 138,400	\$ 7,690,991	\$ 13,767,938
Investments	3,586,973	269,619	10,237,466	14,094,058
Prepaid expenses	19,856	-	16,492	36,348
Receivables (net)	2,358,022	-	833,044	3,191,066
Due from other funds	5,806,140	1,800,000	1,100,000	8,706,140
Due from other governments	787,101	1,873,816	141,691	2,802,608
	<u>\$ 18,496,639</u>	<u>\$ 4,081,835</u>	<u>\$ 20,019,684</u>	<u>\$ 42,598,158</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,549,145	\$ 790,163	\$ 1,349,396	\$ 3,688,704
Accrued liabilities	841,427	42,712	56,637	940,776
Due to other funds	5,408,274	307,376	2,291,952	8,007,602
Due to other governments	580,754	-	-	580,754
Unearned revenue	4,139,696	-	451,051	4,590,747
Deposits	80,808	-	39,401	120,209
Other liabilities	1,470,841	350,272	196,683	2,017,796
	<u>14,070,945</u>	<u>1,490,523</u>	<u>4,385,120</u>	<u>19,946,588</u>
Fund balances				
Nonspendable	19,856	-	-	19,856
Committed	3,300,000	-	-	3,300,000
Restricted	-	-	205,408	205,408
Assigned	-	2,591,312	15,429,156	18,020,468
Unassigned	1,105,838	-	-	1,105,838
	<u>4,425,694</u>	<u>2,591,312</u>	<u>15,634,564</u>	<u>22,651,570</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 18,496,639</u>	<u>\$ 4,081,835</u>	<u>\$ 20,019,684</u>	<u>\$ 42,598,158</u>

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2021

Fund Balances - total governmental funds		\$22,651,570
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the governmental funds:

Non-depreciable governmental capital assets	\$ 23,558,475		
Depreciable governmental capital assets, net	<u>42,599,308</u>		66,157,783

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds:

Notes payable	(6,258,250)		
Capital leases	(884,223)		
Other Post Employment Benefits	(5,247,249)		
Net Pension liability	(11,359,483)		
Deferred outflows related to pensions	7,624,576		
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(20,834,428)		
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	977,137		
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(702,205)		
Compensated absences	<u>(2,301,653)</u>		<u>(38,985,778)</u>

Net position of governmental activities		<u><u>\$49,823,575</u></u>
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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021

	General	County Transportation Trust	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 18,841,362	\$ 1,392,274	\$ 9,540,868	\$ 29,774,504
Licenses and permits	65,944	-	1,419,406	1,485,350
Intergovernmental	9,501,488	6,163,323	8,118,274	23,783,085
Charges for services	7,628,483	769,490	7,336,021	15,733,994
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	304,753	304,753
Miscellaneous	1,046,546	25,551	701,202	1,773,299
Total revenues	<u>37,083,823</u>	<u>8,350,638</u>	<u>27,420,524</u>	<u>72,854,985</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government	11,906,427	-	6,643,024	18,549,451
Court related	2,157,218	-	454,166	2,611,384
Public safety	20,389,538	-	6,776,010	27,165,548
Physical environment	717,511	-	3,538,463	4,255,974
Transportation	-	7,642,918	2,857,664	10,500,582
Economic environment	853,754	-	680,914	1,534,668
Culture and recreation	143,725	-	873,068	1,016,793
Human services	1,548,597	-	-	1,548,597
Capital outlay				
General government	4,374	-	688,369	692,743
Public safety	814,611	-	-	814,611
Physical environment	-	-	38,128	38,128
Transportation	-	1,461,499	-	1,461,499
Debt service				
Principal retirement	984,947	119,170	16,000	1,120,117
Interest and fiscal charges	209,116	-	2,500	211,616
Total expenditures	<u>39,729,818</u>	<u>9,223,587</u>	<u>22,568,306</u>	<u>71,521,711</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(2,645,995)</u>	<u>(872,949)</u>	<u>4,852,218</u>	<u>1,333,274</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from issuance of debt	213,938	-	3,450,000	3,663,938
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	15,874	-	-	15,874
Transfers in	19,915,812	-	-	19,915,812
Transfers out	(15,958,344)	-	(3,957,468)	(19,915,812)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>4,187,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(507,468)</u>	<u>3,679,812</u>
Net change in fund balances	1,541,285	(872,949)	4,344,750	5,013,086
Fund balances, October 1, 2020	2,884,409	3,464,261	11,289,814	17,638,484
Fund balances, September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 4,425,694</u>	<u>\$ 2,591,312</u>	<u>\$ 15,634,564</u>	<u>\$ 22,651,570</u>

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2021

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds: \$5,013,086

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation or amortization expense. This is the amount by which depreciation, amortization and capital asset adjustments were above capital outlays in the current period. (948,061)

Debt proceeds provide current financial resources for governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

Principal payments	\$1,120,117	
Proceeds from issuance of debt	<u>(3,663,938)</u>	(2,543,821)

Some expenditures reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. The net changes associated with these expenses/expenditures are as follow:

Other post employment benefits expenditures	(483,137)	
Decrease in compensated absences	162,362	
Pension expenditures	<u>2,545,915</u>	<u>2,225,140</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities \$3,746,344

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 19,031,107	\$ 19,091,364	\$ 18,841,362	\$ (250,002)
Licenses and permits	77,000	84,300	65,944	(18,356)
Intergovernmental	6,277,624	9,396,415	9,501,488	105,073
Charges for services	6,391,579	7,216,210	7,628,483	412,273
Miscellaneous	392,075	1,038,929	1,046,546	7,617
Total revenues	<u>32,169,385</u>	<u>36,827,218</u>	<u>37,083,823</u>	<u>256,605</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government	11,370,091	11,356,223	11,906,427	(550,204)
Court related	1,639,273	1,639,273	2,157,218	(517,945)
Public safety	17,934,177	20,829,740	20,389,538	440,202
Physical environment	519,507	616,503	717,511	(101,008)
Economic environment	476,998	722,888	853,754	(130,866)
Culture and recreation	134,202	120,398	143,725	(23,327)
Human services	1,311,633	1,321,217	1,548,597	(227,380)
Capital Outlay				
General government	10,000	-	4,374	(4,374)
Public safety	40,585	325,251	814,611	(489,360)
Debt service				
Principal retirement	220,500	534,538	984,947	(450,409)
Interest and fiscal charges	750,200	90,243	209,116	(118,873)
Contingency	50,000	50,000	-	50,000
Total expenditures	<u>34,457,166</u>	<u>37,606,274</u>	<u>39,729,818</u>	<u>(2,123,544)</u>
Deficiencies of revenues under expenditures	<u>(2,287,781)</u>	<u>(779,056)</u>	<u>(2,645,995)</u>	<u>(1,866,939)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from issuance of debt	-	-	213,938	213,938
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	15,874	15,874	-
Transfers in	23,520,168	23,801,584	19,915,812	(3,885,772)
Transfers out	(21,320,005)	(23,126,020)	(15,958,344)	7,167,676
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>2,200,163</u>	<u>691,438</u>	<u>4,187,280</u>	<u>3,495,842</u>
Net change in fund balances	(87,618)	(87,618)	1,541,285	1,628,903
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	87,618	498,357	2,884,409	2,386,052
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 410,739</u>	<u>\$ 4,425,694</u>	<u>\$ 4,014,955</u>

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
COUNTY TRANSPORTATION TRUST
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 1,362,626	\$ 1,392,274	\$ 1,392,274	\$ -
Intergovernmental	7,952,192	9,116,889	6,163,323	(2,953,566)
Charges for services	455,100	772,500	769,490	(3,010)
Miscellaneous	159,330	170,943	25,551	(145,392)
Total revenues	9,929,248	11,452,606	8,350,638	(3,101,968)
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Transportation	9,485,360	9,634,560	7,642,918	1,991,642
Capital outlay				
Transportation	2,383,829	2,176,680	1,461,499	715,181
Debt service				
Principal & interest retirement	-	119,170	119,170	-
Total expenditures	11,869,189	11,930,410	9,223,587	2,706,823
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,939,941)	(477,804)	(872,949)	(395,145)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers in	2,143,225	2,143,225	-	(2,143,225)
Transfers out	(203,284)	(1,665,421)	-	1,665,421
Total other financing sources	1,939,941	477,804	-	(477,804)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	(872,949)	(872,949)
Fund balance-October 1, 2020	-	-	3,464,261	3,464,261
Fund balance- September 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,591,312	\$ 2,591,312

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

		Business-type Activities Enterprise Fund
		Port LaBelle Utility System
<u>ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>		
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,911,545
Receivables (net)		1,490,181
Due from other funds		155,000
Restricted Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,529,050
Investments, at fair value	1,854,995	Investments reflected
Total Restricted Assets		<u>5,384,045</u>
Total current assets		<u>9,940,771</u>
Noncurrent Assets		
Capital Assets		
Non-depreciable		537,006
Depreciable		29,252,689
Less: accumulated depreciation		<u>(13,722,460)</u>
Total Capital Assets, net		<u>16,067,235</u>
Total noncurrent assets		<u>16,067,235</u>
Total assets		<u>26,008,006</u>
Deferred outflows of resources		
Related to OPEB	21,235	
Related to pensions	130,790	
Total Deferred outflows of resources		<u>152,025</u>

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Business-type Activities
Enterprise Fund

Port LaBelle
Utility System

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION

Liabilities

Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	172,858
Accrued liabilities	47,034
Due to other funds	853,538
Total current liabilities	1,073,430
Current liabilities payable from restricted assets	
Notes payable	218,124
Bonds payable	327,100
Customer deposits	266,171
Total current liabilities payable from restricted assets	811,395
Noncurrent liabilities	
Accrued compensated absences	48,452
Notes payable	1,036,240
Bonds payable	5,165,500
Total OPEB liability	114,030
Net pension liability	194,857
Total noncurrent liabilities	6,559,079
Total liabilities	8,443,904
Deferred inflows of resources	
Related to OPEB	15,260
Related to pensions	357,387
Total Deferred inflows of resources	372,647
Net position	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	9,320,271
Restricted for contractual obligations	5,384,045
Unrestricted	2,639,164
Total net position	\$ 17,343,480

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Fund
	Port LaBelle Utility System
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for services	\$ 6,256,216
Miscellaneous	82,964
	6,339,180
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Personal services	584,438
Contractual services	164,543
Repairs and maintenance	562,071
Depreciation and amortization	888,631
Office	11,377
Supplies	70,854
Utilities	112,443
Other expense	416,498
	2,810,855
Total operating expenses	2,810,855
Operating income (loss)	3,528,325
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest revenue	7,983
Interest and fiscal charges	(342,352)
	(334,369)
Total non-operating (expenses)	(334,369)
Change in net position	3,193,956
Total net position, October 1, 2020	14,149,524
Total net position, September 30, 2021	\$ 17,343,480

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>Business-type Activities</u>
	<u>Enterprise Funds</u>
	<u>Port LaBelle</u>
	<u>Utility System</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Cash received from customers	\$ 6,495,617
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(1,337,786)
Net cash received from other funds	155,000
Cash payments to employees for services	(584,438)
	<u>4,728,393</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>4,728,393</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Deposits collected from customers less deposits refunded to customers	41,997
	<u>41,997</u>
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>41,997</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Principal paid on notes payable and revenue bonds	(203,852)
Interest paid on notes payable and revenue bonds	(240,277)
	<u>(444,129)</u>
Net cash used in capital financing activities	<u>(444,129)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Changes in investing activities	543,665
	<u>543,665</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>543,665</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,869,926
Cash and cash equivalents on October 1, 2020	1,570,669
	<u>1,570,669</u>
Cash and cash equivalents on September 30, 2021	\$ 6,440,595
	<u>6,440,595</u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Business-type Activities
Enterprise Funds

Port LaBelle
Utility System

Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided
 by operating activities:

Operating income (loss)	\$ 3,528,325
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Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash
 provided by operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization	888,631
OPEB & Pension expense	34,220

Changes in assets and liabilities:

(Increase) decrease in:	
Accounts receivable	493,007
Due from other funds	-
Due from other governments	1,608

Increase (decrease) in:

Accounts payable	(203,257)
Accrued liabilities	5,849
Due to other funds	14,230

Deferred outflows - pension related (increase) decrease	86,155
Deferred inflows - pension related increase (decrease)	328,349
Net pension liability increase (decrease)	(458,177)
Deferred outflows - OPEB related (increase) decrease	4,108
Deferred inflows - OPEB related increase (decrease)	(3,341)
Total OPEB liability increase (decrease)	8,686

Total adjustments	<u>1,200,068</u>
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Net cash provided by operating activities	<u><u>\$ 4,728,393</u></u>
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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUNDS
9/30/2021

	Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,184,758
Receivables (net)	44,066
Total assets	4,228,824
 LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	22,730
Due to other governments	2,613,089
Due to individuals	789,332
Total liabilities	3,425,151
 NET POSITION	
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	803,673
Total net position	\$ 803,673

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUNDS
As of September 30, 2021

	Custodial Funds
Additions:	
Taxes, permits, and fees	\$ 98,827,587
Inmate deposits	746,427
Charges for services	13,015
Other collections	2,117,030
Total additions	101,704,059
Deductions:	
Payments to individuals	16,702,903
Payments to organizations	13,516
Payments to other governments	85,025,937
Total deductions	101,742,356
Change in Net Position	(38,297)
Net Position, beginning, as restated	841,970
Net Position, ending	\$ 803,673

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

Hendry County (the “County”) was created in 1923 by the Laws of Florida 1923, Chapter 23-9369 as amended, Section 7.26, Florida Statutes and is a political subdivision of the State of Florida. It is governed by an elected Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) which is a body of elected Constitutional Officers of Hendry County. In addition to the members of the Board of County Commissioners, there are five elected Constitutional Officers: Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sheriff, Tax Collector, Property Appraiser, and Supervisor of Elections, which were established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Constitutional Officers maintain separate accounting records and budgets.

The accompanying financial statements present the combined financial position and results of operations and changes in cash flows of the County of the applicable fund types governed by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida and its Constitutional Officers.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of Hendry County (the primary government) and its component units. A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. In addition, a component unit may be another organization for which the nature and significance of its relationship with a primary government is such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity’s financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Blended component units are legally separate entities that are in substance part of the County’s operation, as they either have governing bodies that are substantively the same as the Board and there is a financial benefit or burden relationship between the Board and the component unit, or they provide their services exclusively or almost exclusively to the County government. The financial transactions of these component units are merged in with transactions of the County as part of the primary government. The blended component unit of the County is as follows:

East Hendry County Drainage District

The District maintains the canals, ditches and storm water treatment areas located in East Hendry County. By Petition of the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of Laws of Florida, Chapter 67-1443, the creation of the East Hendry County Drainage District was approved by court order on October 9, 1984.

Hendry County also has a number of independent special districts, whose financials are not included in this report, but are subject to independent audit and whose financials are made available to the public by the District. These include the Bolles Drainage District, the Central County Water Control District, the Clewiston Drainage District, the Collins Slough Water Control District, the Devil's Garden Water Control District, the Gerber Groves Water control District, the Hendry Hilliard Water Control District, the Hendry County Hospital Authority, the Area Housing Commission of Clewiston and the Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Board.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements consist of the government wide financial statements and fund financial statements. Both sets of statements distinguish between the governmental and business type activities of the Board.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements, Continued

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report on the Board as a whole and do not emphasize fund types but rather a governmental or a business-type classification, which are presented in separate columns. These statements report on the Board as a whole, both the primary government and its component units, and provide a consolidated financial picture of the Board of County Commissioners. As part of the consolidation process, inter-fund activities are eliminated to avoid distorted financial results.

The Statement of Net Position reports all financial and capital resources of the Board's governmental and business-type activities. It is presented in a net position format (assets less liabilities equal net position) and shown with three components: amounts invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position. The statement of activities reflects the expenses of a given function or segment, which are offset by program revenues. Program revenues are defined as charges for services, operating grants and contributions and capital grants and contributions directly associated with a given function. Taxes are reported under general revenue.

Program revenues are classified into three categories; charges for services, operating grants and contributions and capital grants and contributions. Charges refer to direct recovery from customers for services rendered. Grants and contributions refer to revenues restricted for specific programs whose use may be restricted further to operational or capital items. The general revenues section displays revenue collected that helps support all functions of our government and contribute to the change in the net position for the fiscal year.

The Board's major funds are presented in separate columns on the governmental fund financial statements and the proprietary fund financial statements. The definition of a major fund is one that meets certain criteria set-forth in GASB 34. The funds that do not meet the criteria of a major fund are considered non-major funds and are combined into a single column on the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounts of the Board are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity or retained earnings, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures, or expenses, are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared on a full accrual basis using the economic resources measurement focus, as are the proprietary fund financial statements.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation, Continued

Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred. Property taxes are recognized in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all of the eligibility requirements have been met.

Proprietary funds record both operating and non-operating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues are those that are obtained from the operations of the proprietary fund and include user fees. Non-operating revenues are not related to the operations of the proprietary fund and include interest and other miscellaneous earnings. Operating expenses represent the cost of operations, which includes depreciation. Non-operating expenses are not related to operations such as interest expense.

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared on the modified accrual basis using the current financial resources measurement focus. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. The Board considers all revenues available if they are collected within sixty days after year-end. Primary revenues, such as property taxes, special assessments, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, sales and franchise taxes, rents and interest are treated as susceptible to accrual under the modified accrual basis and have been recognized as revenues.

Expenditures reported in governmental fund financial statements are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. An exception to this general rule includes principal and interest on general long-term debt, which is recognized when due, the noncurrent portion of accrued compensated absences and other post employment benefits.

The business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary funds follow private sector standards issued prior to December 1, 1989, to the extent those standards do not conflict with Governmental Accounting Standards Board statements. However, pursuant to Government Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the Board has elected not to apply accounting standards issued after November 30, 1989, by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, restricted resources will be used first for incurred expenses, and then unrestricted as needed.

The Board reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

The *General Fund* is the general operating fund of the Board that is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

County Transportation Trust Fund

The *County Transportation Trust Fund* accounts for revenues received and expended for the construction and maintenance of roadways.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

Non-major Governmental Funds

The non-major governmental funds are a combination of special revenue, debt service and capital projects funds.

The Board reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Port LaBelle Utility System

The *Port LaBelle Utility System* accounts for activities related to the county-owned water and systems.

Additionally, the Board reports Agency Funds. Agency funds are custodial funds and do not involve measurement of results of operations. These funds are clearing accounts for assets held by the County as an agent for other funds. These funds hold assets prior to disbursement or in a custodial capacity.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Chapters 129 and 200 of the Florida Statutes govern the preparation, adoption and administration of the County's annual budget. The budget is required to be balanced; that is; the total of the estimated revenues, including balances brought forward, shall equal the total of the appropriations and reserves. The following procedures are followed by the County in establishing the operating budget:

- (1) On or before July 15, a tentative budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1 is presented to the Board.
- (2) The tentative budget is reviewed by the Board and any necessary changes are made.
- (3) Public hearings are conducted to inform the taxpayers of the tentative budget and proposed tax levies and to obtain taxpayer comments.
- (4) On or before September 30, the budget is legally adopted through passage of a resolution.
- (5) Section 129.07 of the Florida Statutes prohibits incurring expenditures in excess of total fund appropriations.
- (6) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year in all Governmental Fund Types. Estimated beginning fund balances are considered in the budgetary process, but are not included in the financial statements as budgeted revenue.
- (7) Budgets for General, Special Revenue, Debt Service and Capital Projects Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- (8) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year in all Governmental Fund Types. Estimated beginning fund balances are considered in the budgetary process, but are not included in the financial statements as budgeted revenue.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (continued)

The annual budgets serve as the legal authorization for expenditures. Expenditures cannot legally exceed the total amount budgeted for each fund. The Board must approve all budget amendments, which change the legally adopted total appropriation for a fund.

If, during the fiscal year, additional revenues become available for appropriation in excess of those estimated in the budget, the Board may make supplemental appropriations by resolution for the year up to the amount of such excess. During the fiscal year the Board, in accordance with Florida Statutes, approved various supplemental appropriations. Appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

F. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Equity

Cash and Investments

The Board considers cash and cash equivalents to be cash on hand, demand deposits, highly liquid investments, including those held as restricted assets, with original maturities of three months or less when purchased, and those included in the internal investment pool.

For accounting and investment purposes, the Board maintains a cash pool that is available for use by all funds except those whose cash and investments may be segregated due to legal or other restrictions.

Interest earned on investments in the pool is allocated to the various funds based upon each fund's equity balance in the pool during the allocation period.

Inventories

Inventories, consisting primarily of materials and supplies, are stated at cost, which approximates fair market value. The "first-in, first-out" method of accounting is used to determine cost. All inventories are recorded as expenditures, or expenses, as they are used (consumption method).

Capital Assets

Capital assets include property, plant and equipment. Infrastructure assets are defined as public domain fixed assets such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems, lighting systems and similar assets that are immovable and of value only to the government unit.

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Equity (continued)

Capital assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column, as well as the proprietary fund financial statements. The threshold for capitalizing property, plant, and equipment is \$5,000. The threshold for capitalizing infrastructure is \$100,000. Capital assets are recorded at cost, or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time received.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Florida Statutes require that the Board maintain accountability for all assets used in operations, except those maintained by the Sheriff.

The ranges of the useful lives are as follows:

Asset	Years
Buildings	30-50
Infrastructure	10-100
Improvements other than Buildings	6-50
Equipment	3-35
Computer Equipment	3-10
Furniture	4-20
Vehicles & Rolling Stock	3-15

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and therefore will not be recognized as expended until then. The Board presents deferred outflows associated with pensions and other post employment benefits to be expensed over future periods.

Deferred inflows of resources are reported in governmental activities to offset receivables and deposits that do not meet the availability criterion under the modified accrual basis of accounting. The Board presents amounts associated with pensions and other post employment benefits as deferred inflows of resources.

Compensated Absences

The Board maintains a policy that permits employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits that will be paid to employees upon separation from Board service if certain criteria are met. These benefits, plus their related tax and retirement costs are classified as compensated absences. Both the current and long-term portion of compensated absences are accrued and reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. This is accounted for pursuant to GASB Statement Number 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Equity (continued)

Net Position / Fund Balance Classification

Governmental funds report fund balances as either nonspendable or spendable. Spendable fund balances are further classified as restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned, based on the extent to which there are external or internal constraints on the spending of these fund balances.

Nonspendable fund balances include amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The County considers inventories and prepaid items as part of this category, as well as long-term receivables from which proceeds are not restricted, committed or assigned.

Spendable Fund Balances:

Restricted Fund Balance: Amounts that are restricted to specific purposes, and are restricted through enabling legislation and are legally enforceable. The legislation that creates the revenue stream must also stipulate the purposes for which that revenue can be used.

Committed Fund Balance: Amounts that are committed for specific purposes by formal action of the governments' highest level of decision making authority. These amounts are not subject to legal enforceability as in restricted, however those amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government removes or changes the limitation by taking the same form of action it employed to previously impose the limitation.

Assigned Fund Balance: Amounts that are intended by the government to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor limited. Intent should be expressed by (a) the governing body itself, or (b) a subordinate high-level body or official possessing the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned Fund Balance: The residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, limited or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

Government-wide statements and proprietary fund statements utilize an economic resources measurement focus and categorize net position among the following components:

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt – indicates that portion of net position which represents the County's equity in capital assets, less the amount of related debt.

Restricted Net Position – indicates that portion of net position which is segregated due to external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position – indicates that portion of net position which is available for general operations.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

G. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Board to make estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

H. New Accounting Pronouncements

Effective October 1, 2020, the County adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities. The financial statements of custodial funds held by the County have been restated to comply with the liability recognition criteria of the Statement. As such beginning net position has been restated for the Custodial Funds of the Sheriff's Office by \$70,620 and Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts' by \$733,053 for a total restatement of \$803,673.

NOTE 2 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes become due and payable on November 1 of each year and are delinquent on April 1 of the following year. Discounts on property taxes are allowed for payments made prior to the April 1 delinquent date. Tax certificates for the full amount of any unpaid taxes must be sold no later than June 1 of each year.

No accrual for the property tax levy becoming due in November 2021 is included in the accompanying financial statements, since such taxes are collected to finance expenditures of the subsequent period. Procedures for collecting delinquent taxes, including applicable tax certificate sales and tax deed sales, are provided by Florida Statutes and are performed by the Hendry County Tax Collector.

The enforceable lien date is approximately two years after taxes become delinquent and occurs only upon request of a holder of a delinquent tax certificate. There was no significant delinquent property taxes receivable at September 30, 2021.

Important dates in the property tax cycle are as follows:

- Assessment roll certified- July 1
- Millage resolution approved- no later than 93 days following certification of assessment roll
- Beginning of fiscal year for which taxes have been levied- October 1
- Taxes due and payable (levy date)- November 1
- Property taxes payable (maximum discount of 4 percent)- 30 days after levy date
- Due date- March 31
- Taxes become delinquent (lien date)- April 1
- Tax certificate sold- prior to June 1

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

As of September 30, 2021, the County has the following non-major governmental funds with deficit fund balances. The County anticipates these deficits to be resolved in the next fiscal year(s) as noted below:

Deficit Fund Balances

The East Hendry County Fire District has a deficit fund balance of \$39,781. It is anticipated that the deficit will continue to decrease as expenditures will continue being less than revenues.

The Capital Projects Fund has a deficit fund balance of \$338,569. It is anticipated that the deficit will be resolved in the next fiscal year as expenditures will be less than revenues.

The Fines and Forfeitures Fund has a deficit fund balance of \$780,745. It is anticipated that the deficit will be resolved in the next fiscal year as expenditures will be less than revenues.

Deficit Net Position

The County's unrestricted net position balance was again a deficit and totaled \$(6,757,979), due substantially from recording the current year actuarially determined net OPEB liability of approximately \$5.4 million and the pension liabilities of approximately \$11.5 million.

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 4 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

All County depositories are banks or savings institutions designated by the State Treasurer as qualified public depositories. Chapter 280, *Florida Statutes* "Florida Security for Public Deposits Act" provides procedures for public depositories to insure monies in banks and savings and loans are collateralized with the Treasurer as an agent for the public entities.

The Public Deposit Security Trust Fund has a procedure to allocate and recover losses in the event of a default or insolvency. When public deposits are made in accordance with Chapter 280, no public depositor shall be liable for any loss thereof. Chapter 280 defines deposits as time deposit accounts, demand deposit accounts, and certificates of deposit. County depositories are banks designated as qualified depositories by the State Treasurer. The County's bank balance of deposits insured by Federal Depository Insurance or pursuant to Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes was \$25,681,488 as of September 30, 2021.

Board investments are made in accordance with the provisions of Section 218.415, *Florida Statutes* "Investment of Local Government Surplus Funds." Authorized investments include U.S. Government obligations, passbook savings accounts, tax-exempt State and municipal securities, certificates of deposit, Local Government Surplus Funds Investment Pool Trust Fund (SBA), the Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT), treasury bills, and any other investments authorized by Chapter 218, *Florida Statutes*. There were no violations of this policy during the fiscal year.

The Board adheres to the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement Number 31, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools," as amended by GASB Number 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." Florida Statutes and Board policy authorize investments in PRIME, an external 2a7-like investment pool. The Fund is publicly traded and may lose principal. PRIME is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but nevertheless has a policy that it will, and does, operate as a qualifying external investment pool. PRIME has a Standard & Poor's rating of AAAM at September 30, 2021 and meets all of the necessary criteria to elect to measure all of the investments in PRIME at amortized cost. In terms of interest rate risk, PRIME had a weighted average days to maturity (WAM) of 33 days and a weighted average life (WAL) of 72 days at September 30, 2021. PRIME was not exposed to any foreign currency risk nor did it participate in a securities lending program during the period from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

There are currently no limitations as to the frequency of redemptions; however, PRIME has the ability to impose restrictions on withdrawals should a material event occur. Detailed information on the withdrawal restrictions that may be imposed and PRIME's responsibilities should such an event occur is described in Section 218.409(8)(a), *Florida Statutes*.

The County's investment in PRIME represented less than 1% of the PRIME's total investments. Investments held in PRIME include, but are not limited to, short-term federal agency obligations, treasury bills, repurchase agreements and commercial paper. These short-term investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Investment income is recognized as earned and is allocated to participants of the Fund based on their equity participation.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 4 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED

At September 30, 2021, the County reported PRIME investments of \$29,264 at fair value.

At September 30, 2021, the County reported investments in the Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT) of \$13,869,008.

The County maintained investments in Treasury Securities at the Bank of New York Mellon in in the amount of \$3,201,930, at fair value, as of September 30, 2021.

In accordance with GASB 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 3*, certain risks about investments must be disclosed.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to change in market interest rates. The Board limits its exposure to interest risk by holding all securities until maturity. The Treasury Securities had a weighted average days to maturity (WAM) of 37 days and a weighted average life (WAL) of 77 days at September 30, 2021.

Credit risk is the risk that a security or a portfolio will lose some or all of its value due to a real or perceived change in the ability of the issuer to repay its debt.

Custodial credit is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Board will not be able to recover the value of their investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an entity's investment in a single issuer.

Foreign currency risk is the risk that fluctuations in the currency exchange rate may affect transactions conducted in currencies other than US Dollars and the carrying value of foreign investments.

Treasury Securities are not considered to have credit risk, custodial credit risk, concentration of credit risk, or foreign currency risk.

Fair Value Measurements

In accordance with GASB 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Applications*, the framework for measuring fair value provided a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3).

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 4 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED

The three levels of fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

US government securities are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual security is traded and are assigned a Level 1 input.

NOTE 5 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At September 30, 2021, receivables were as follows:

<u>Enterprise:</u>	<u>Labelle Utility</u>
Accounts receivable	\$ 1,434,148
Less: allowance for bad debt	-
Total receivables	<u>\$ 1,434,148</u>

NOTE 6 - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

In connection with the Port LaBelle Utility System (PLUS), the Board has commenced a phased construction program to provide utility service to vacant lots in Units 1–9 in Hendry County and Unit 102 in Glades County. The costs of the improvements are to be financed by special assessments levied against individual lots. The remaining balance of the assessment (if any) is to be paid over a twenty-year period through the real estate tax collection process. Interest at 7% is to be charged on the unpaid balance. The special assessment rate for lots in Hendry County is \$975 per lot, and the rate per lot in Glades County is \$1,080 per lot.

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NOTE 7 - RESTRICTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Restricted assets of the proprietary fund represent monies to be restricted for special assessments, renewal and replacement, capital improvements and construction, and customer deposits under the terms of outstanding bond agreements, resolutions, and other contractual agreements.

Restricted assets reported on the proprietary fund statement of net position at September 30, 2021, were as follows:

Port LaBelle Utility

Restricted cash and cash Equivalents	\$ 3,529,050
Restricted investments, at fair value	<u>1,854,995</u>
Total restricted assets	<u><u>\$ 5,384,045</u></u>

Assets restricted for debt service are for the payment of bond principal and interest and bond reserve requirements. Assets restricted for renewal and replacement are for the payment of unusual or extra-ordinary maintenance or repairs. Additionally, assets are restricted for capital improvements and construction. Customer deposits are advance payments held until certain conditions are met.

Liabilities payable from restricted assets were at September 30, 2021 comprised of the following:

Port LaBelle Utility

Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 545,224
Customer deposits	<u>266,171</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 811,395</u></u>

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NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS

During the year ended September 30, 2021, the following changes in capital assets occurred:

<i>Governmental Activities</i>	Beginning Balance 10/01/2020	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Ending Balance 09/30/2021
Capital Assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 6,963,505	\$ 26,403	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,989,908
Construction in progress	21,024,454	1,544,128	-	(6,000,015)	16,568,567
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>27,987,959</u>	<u>1,570,531</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,000,015)</u>	<u>23,558,475</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	130,666,481	-	-	6,000,015	136,666,496
Furniture and equipment	31,921,509	1,436,451	(569,102)	-	32,788,858
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>162,587,990</u>	<u>1,436,451</u>	<u>(569,102)</u>	<u>6,000,015</u>	<u>169,455,354</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(95,634,297)	(2,303,111)	-	-	(97,937,408)
Furniture and equipment	(28,287,982)	(1,199,758)	569,102	-	(28,918,638)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(123,922,279)</u>	<u>(3,502,869)</u>	<u>569,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(126,856,046)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>38,665,711</u>	<u>(2,066,418)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,000,015</u>	<u>42,599,308</u>
Total governmental activities capital assets, net	<u><u>\$ 66,653,670</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (495,887)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 66,157,783</u></u>
<i>Business-Type Activities:</i>					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 537,006	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 537,006
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>537,006</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>537,006</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	29,005,660	-	(50,825)	115,304	29,070,139
Furniture and equipment	229,794	100,902	(32,842)	(115,304)	182,550
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>29,235,454</u>	<u>100,902</u>	<u>(83,667)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,252,689</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(12,579,032)	(961,682)	-	-	(13,540,714)
Furniture and equipment	(202,812)	(29,759)	50,825	-	(181,746)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(12,781,844)</u>	<u>(991,441)</u>	<u>50,825</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,722,460)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>16,453,610</u>	<u>(890,539)</u>	<u>(32,842)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,530,229</u>
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	<u><u>\$ 16,990,616</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (890,539)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (32,842)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,067,235</u></u>

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NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Depreciation costs were charged to functions/ programs as follows:

Governmental activities:

General government	\$ 692,084
Court related	24,203
Public safety	1,238,979
Physical environment	164,867
Transportation	317,830
Economic environment	70,491
Culture and recreation	59,650
Human services	<u>934,765</u>
Total depreciation cost for governmental activities	<u>\$ 3,502,869</u>

Business-type activities:

Water and wastewater depreciation cost	<u>\$ 991,441</u>
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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Business Type - Revenue Bonds and Notes Payable

Revenue Bonds

The Board issued revenue bonds for business-type activities. The descriptions and balances of the outstanding revenue bonds as of September 30, 2021, were as follows:

\$5,492,600 Hendry County, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2021, bearing interest of 2.24% payable on September 1, 2022 and annually thereafter on September 1, with principal maturing from September 1, 2021 to September 1, 2036.	\$ 5,492,600
Total business-type - revenue bonds	<u>5,492,600</u>

Notes Payable

\$1,430,705 bank loan, bearing interest at a rate of 7%, 15 annual payments of \$157,084. Final payment due September 2026.	644,077
\$1,355,656 bank loan, bearing interest at a rate of 7%, 15 annual payments of \$148,844. Final payment due September 2026.	<u>610,288</u>
Total business-type - notes payable	<u>1,254,365</u>
Total Business-Type - Revenue Bonds and Notes Payable	<u>\$ 6,746,965</u>

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Government Funds - Notes Payable, Capital Leases, & Other Payables

Notes Payable

\$113,398 bank loan for the purchase of five new vehicles, bearing interest at a rate of 2.50%, with equal annual payments of \$24,409. Final payment is due July 2022.	\$ 24,458
\$297,000 bank loan for the purchase of two new ambulances, bearing interest at a rate of 2.65%, with equal annual payments of \$79,233. Final payment is due June 2023.	154,274
\$155,000 bank loan for the purchase of five new vehicles, bearing interest at a rate of 2.65%, with equal annual payments of \$41,351. Final payment is due June 2023.	79,518
\$6,000,000 bank loan to fund capital projects, bearing interest at a rate of 3.65%. The loan is intended to be paid using future local government half-cent sales tax revenues. The loan contract requires semi-annual payments of \$435,798. Final payment is due November 2028.	6,000,000
Total governmental - notes payable	<u>6,258,250</u>

Capital Leases

Capital lease entered into for the lease of a truck for \$262,890 bearing interest at a rate of 2.60%, requiring annual payments of \$91,523. Final payment due December 18, 2021.	87,573
On September 30, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$53,026, requiring monthly payments of \$1,047 including principal and interest. Final payment due in September 30, 2024.	34,133
On August 27, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$105,197, requiring monthly payments of \$2,160 including principal and interest. Final payment due in August 2024.	66,289
On August 27, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$48,538, requiring monthly payments of \$999 including principal and interest. Final payment due in August 2024.	30,586
On September 25, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$101,326, requiring monthly payments of \$2,065 including principal and interest. Final payment due in September 2024.	65,223
On November 5, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$43,568, requiring monthly payments of \$859 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023.	20,803
In November 5, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for three 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$147,524, requiring monthly payments of \$2,905 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023.	70,398

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Government Funds - Notes Payable, Capital Leases, & Other Payables (continued)

Capital Leases (continued)

In October 9, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$49,175, requiring monthly payments of \$968 including principal and interest. Final payment due in October 2023.	22,624
On October 1, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$41,700, requiring monthly payments of \$812 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023.	18,354
On March 27, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$44,627, requiring monthly payments of \$980 including principal and interest. Final payment due in March 2025.	32,817
On February 27, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$51,944, requiring monthly payments of \$1,032 including principal and interest. Final payment due in February 2025.	37,630
On January 31, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$103,889, requiring monthly payments of \$2,128 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025.	73,593
On January 21, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$51,944, requiring monthly payments of \$1,027 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025.	36,669
On January 31, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$103,889, requiring monthly payments of \$2,060 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025.	73,592
On September 3, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for four 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$142,615, requiring monthly payments of \$722 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026.	142,615
On September 10, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$35,654, requiring monthly payments of \$724 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026.	35,655
On September 3, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$35,669, requiring monthly payments of \$722 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026.	35,669
Total governmental - capital leases	<u>884,223</u>

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Government Funds - Notes Payable, Capital Leases, & Other Payables (continued)

Total Governmental Funds - Debt Service Requirements **\$ 7,142,473**

The annual debt service requirements at September 30, 2021, were as follows:

Fiscal Year(s)	Government Funds Long-Term Debt		Business-type Long-Term Debt		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2022	\$ 1,118,871	\$ 456,029	\$ 545,224	\$ 210,839	\$ 1,664,095	\$ 666,868
2023	1,037,231	426,972	567,895	188,244	1,605,126	615,216
2024	916,392	372,072	591,634	164,413	1,508,026	536,485
2025	810,542	214,070	616,516	139,273	1,427,058	353,343
2026	803,860	153,314	643,696	112,744	1,447,556	266,058
2027-2031	2,455,577	159,215	1,909,700	339,895	4,365,277	499,110
2032-2036	-	-	1,872,300	116,155	1,872,300	116,155
Total	<u><u>\$ 7,142,473</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,781,672</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,746,965</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,271,563</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,889,438</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,053,235</u></u>

Changes in bonded and other indebtedness of the Board for the year ended September 30, 2021, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance 10/1/2020	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance 9/30/2021	Due Within One Year
<u>Governmental Activities</u>					
Notes Payable	\$ 3,092,070	\$ 3,450,000	\$ (283,820)	\$ 6,258,250	\$ 797,397
Capital Leases	1,054,409	213,919	(384,105)	884,223	321,474
Other Post Employment Benefits	4,796,139	451,110	-	5,247,249	-
FRS Pension Liability	31,768,613	-	(26,658,988)	5,109,625	-
HIS Liability	6,300,983	-	(51,125)	6,249,858	-
Compensated Absences	2,464,015	48,660	(211,022)	2,301,653	-
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u><u>\$ 49,476,229</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,163,689</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (27,589,060)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 26,050,858</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,118,871</u></u>

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

	Beginning Balance 10/1/2020	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance 9/30/2021	Due Within One Year
<u>Business-Type Activities</u>					
Port LaBelle Utility Systems					
Notes Payable	\$ 1,458,216	\$ -	\$ (203,852)	\$ 1,254,364	\$ 218,124
Revenue Bonds	5,932,700	-	(440,100)	5,492,600	327,100
Other Post Employment Benefits	105,344	8,686	-	114,030	-
FRS Pension liability	544,949	-	(457,300)	87,649	-
HIS Liability	108,085	-	(877)	107,208	-
Compensated Absences	41,599	6,853	-	48,452	-
Total business-type activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 8,190,893</u>	<u>\$ 15,539</u>	<u>\$ (1,102,129)</u>	<u>\$ 7,104,303</u>	<u>\$ 545,224</u>

NOTE 10 - LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS

The landfill stopped accepting solid waste on December 1, 1992, and finished placing the required cover on the landfill during the fiscal year ended September 30, 1994. The County completed post closure care requirements during fiscal year 2017 in accordance with landfill laws and and Subpart H of 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 264, as adopted by reference in Rule 62-701.630 of the Florida Administrative Code (FAC).

The County continually conducts monitoring to detect any potential incidents of environmental contamination. If any contamination is detected, the County will submit a plan to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to remedy the problems discovered. The County does not believe that any additional liabilities arising from the closed landfill remedial actions would materially affect the County's financial condition.

NOTE 11 - COMMITMENTS & CONTINGENCIES

Commitments

In February 2021 and March 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for twenty vehicles in the amount of \$455,255 for a twelve month term. The final payment is due in February 2022 and March 2022. At the end of the term, or sooner if the lessor requests the vehicles back, the Sheriff returns the vehicles and receives a credit for future operating leases based on the gain of the sales price over the RBV. The balance at September 30, 2021 was \$ 419,780

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NOTE 11 - COMMITMENTS & CONTINGENCIES, (CONTINUED)

Contingencies

Grants and Assistance

Activities of certain funds of the Board are financed in whole or in part by various forms of grants and assistance, principally from the federal government. There can be no absolute assurance that such assistance will continue in the future at the present levels. Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit or adjustment by the grantor agencies. Also, any amounts disallowed could constitute liabilities of the applicable funds.

Litigation

The Board, in accordance with the normal conduct of its affairs, is involved in various judgments, claims, and litigation. It is expected that the final settlement of these matters will not materially affect the financial statements of the Board.

NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN

Florida Retirement System:

General Information - All of the employees of the primary government participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 121 and 112, *Florida Statutes*, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan (“Pension Plan”) and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (“HIS Plan”).

Under Section 121.4501, *Florida Statutes*, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan (“Investment Plan”) alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration (“SBA”). As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, *Florida Statutes*, and Chapter 60S, *Florida Administrative Code*. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida State Legislature.

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site:

www.dms.myflorida.com/workforce_operations/retirement/publications.

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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan

Plan Description – The Pension Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (“DROP”) for eligible employees. The general classes of membership are as follows:

Regular Class- Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in other classes.

Elected County Officers Class- Members who hold specified elective offices in local government.

Senior Management Service Class (SMSC)- Members in senior management positions.

Special Risk Class- Members who are employed in public safety and meet the criteria to qualify for this class.

Benefits Provided – Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service. Vested members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and receive reduced retirement benefits. Special Risk Administrative Support class members who retire at or after age 55 with at least six years of credited service or 25 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service.

Special Risk class members (sworn law enforcement officers, firefighters, and correctional officers) who retire at or after age 55 with at least six years of credited service, or with 25 years of service regardless of age, are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 3.0% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary for each year of credited service. Senior Management Service class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 2.0% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary for each year of credited service. Elected Officers’ class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 3.0% (3.33% for judges and justices) of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary for each year of credited service.

For Plan members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the vesting requirement is extended to eight years of credited service for all these members and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age for Regular, Senior Management Service, and Elected Officers’ class members, and to age 60 or 30 years of service regardless of age for Special Risk and Special Risk Administrative Support class members.

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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan (continued)

Also, the final average compensation for all these members will be based on the eight highest years of salary.

As provided in Section 121.101, *Florida Statutes*, if the member is initially enrolled in the Pension Plan before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is three percent per year. If the member is initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a proportion of three percent determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by three percent. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

In addition to the above benefits, the DROP program allows eligible members to defer receipt of monthly retirement benefit payments while continuing employment with a FRS employer for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate. Deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. There are no required contributions by DROP participants.

Contributions – Effective July 1, 2011, all enrolled members of the FRS, other than DROP participants, are required to contribute three percent of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on state-wide contribution rates established by the Florida Legislature. These rates are updated as of July 1 of each year.

The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10.00% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; special risk 24.45% and 25.89%; special risk administration 35.84% and 37.76%; rehired regular class 5.10% and 5.10%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. These employer contribution rates include 1.66% HIS Plan subsidy and 0.06% administrative fee.

The County's contributions to the Pension Plan totaled \$2,241,195 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At September 30, 2021, the County reported a liability of \$5,197,274 for its proportionate share of the Pension Plan's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The County's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the County's 2020-21 fiscal year contributions relative to the 2019-20 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2021, the County's proportionate share was 0.06880%, which was a decrease of 0.00575% from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2020.

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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan (continued)

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the County recognized pension (benefit) of (\$2,712,283), excluding HIS. In addition the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 890,821	\$ -
Change of assumptions	3,556,232	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on Pension Plan investments	-	(18,131,985)
Changes in proportion and differences between County Pension Plan contributions and proportionate share of contributions	1,310,622	(2,488,043)
County Pension Plan contributions subsequent to the measurement date	716,695	-
Total	\$ 6,474,370	\$ (20,620,028)

The deferred outflows of resources related to the Pension Plan, totaling \$716,695 resulting from County contributions to the Plan subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the Pension Plan will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending September 30:	Amount
2022	(2,603,003)
2023	(3,088,914)
2024	(3,986,974)
2025	(4,992,197)
2026	(191,265)
Thereafter	-

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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension liability in the July 1, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.40%
Salary increases	3.25%, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	6.80%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The Mortality assumption was based on the PUB-2010 with Projection Scale MP-2018.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

Key actuarial assumption changes that occurred in 2021 included that the maximum amortization period decreased to 20 years for all current and future amortization bases.

The long-term expected rate of return on Pension Plan investments was not based on historical returns, but instead is based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. The allocation policy’s description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic and geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class		Annual Arithmetic Return	Compound Annual Return	Standard Deviation
Cash	1.0%	2.1%	2.1%	1.1%
Fixed income	20.0%	3.8%	3.7%	3.3%
Global equity	54.2%	8.2%	6.7%	17.8%
Real estate (property)	10.3%	7.1%	6.2%	13.8%
Private equity	10.8%	11.7%	8.5%	26.4%
Strategic investments	3.7%	5.7%	5.4%	8.4%
Total	100.0%			
Assumed Inflation - Mean			2.4%	1.2%

(1) As outlined in the Pension Plan's investment policy

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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Pension Plan (continued)

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.80%. The Pension Plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculation of the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Sensitivity of the County’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following represents the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.80%, as well as what the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.80%) or one percentage point higher (7.80%) than the current rate:

	1%, Decrease (5.80%)	Discount Rate (6.80%)	1% Increase (7.80%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)	<u>\$ 23,242,558</u>	<u>\$ 5,197,274</u>	<u>\$ (9,886,560)</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information regarding the Pension Plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Payables to the Pension Plan – At September 30, 2021, the County reported \$174,938 payable for outstanding contributions to the Pension Plan.

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

HIS Plan

Plan Description – The HIS Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended by the Florida legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of State-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement.

Benefits Provided – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement, with a minimum HIS payment of \$30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$150 per month. To be eligible to receive these benefits, a retiree under a State-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which may include Medicare.

Contributions – The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the HIS contribution was 1.66%. The County contributed 100% of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding three years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which payments are authorized. HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation.

In the event legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or cancelled.

The County's contributions to the HIS Plan totaled \$307,334 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At September 30, 2021, the County reported a liability of \$6,357,066 for its proportionate share of the HIS Plan's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021. The County's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the County's 2020-21 fiscal year contributions relative to the 2019-20 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2021, the County's proportionate share was 0.05182%, which was an decrease of 0.00067% from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2020.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

HIS Plan (continued)

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the County recognized HIS expense of \$212,264. In addition the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 212,723	\$ (2,663)
Change of assumptions	499,524	(261,929)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on HIS Plan investments	6,627	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County HIS Plan contributions and proportionate share of contributions	484,250	(307,195)
County HIS Plan contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>77,872</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,280,996</u>	<u>\$ (571,787)</u>

The deferred outflows of resources related to the HIS Plan, totaling \$77,872 resulting from County contributions to the HIS Plan subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the HIS Plan will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending September 30:	Amount
2022	\$ 187,701
2023	94,305
2024	113,394
2025	126,158
2026	93,609
Thereafter	16,170

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

HIS Plan (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension liability in the July 1, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.40%
Salary increases	3.25%, average, including inflation
Municipal bond rate	2.16%

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 with Projection Scale MP-2018.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 2.16%. In general, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the single rate equivalent to discounting at the long-term expected rate of return for benefit payments prior to the projected depletion date. Because the HIS benefit is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, the depletion date is considered to be immediate, and the single equivalent discount rate is equal to the municipal bond rate selected by the HIS Plan sponsor. The Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was adopted as the applicable municipal bond index.

Sensitivity of the County’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following represents the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 2.16%, as well as what the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (1.16%) or one percentage point higher (3.16%) than the current rate:

	1%, Decrease (1.16%)	Discount Rate (2.16%)	1% Increase (3.16%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 7,349,384	\$ 6,357,066	\$ 5,544,083

HIS Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information regarding the HIS Plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Payables to the HIS Plan – At September 30, 2021, the County reported a payable of \$15,062 for outstanding contributions to the HIS Plan.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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NOTE 12 - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)

Investment Plan

The SBA administers the defined contribution plan officially titled the FRS Investment Plan. The Investment Plan is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

As provided in Section 121.4501, *Florida Statutes*, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. Board employees participating in DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the Pension Plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the Investment Plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06% of payroll and by forfeited benefits of plan members. Allocations to the investment member's accounts during the 2020-21 fiscal year, as established by Section 121.72, *Florida Statutes*, are based on a percentage of gross compensation, by class, as follows: Regular class--6.30%, Special Risk Administrative Support class--7.95%, Special Risk class--14.00%, Senior Management Service class--7.67% and County Elected Officers class--11.34%. The allocation include a required employee contribution of 3% of gross compensation for each member class.

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after one year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Non-vested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to five years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the five-year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the five-year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the County.

After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may rollover vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided; the member may either transfer the account balance to the Pension Plan when approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The County's Investment Plan contributions totaled \$700,153 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

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NOTE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters.

The County is a member of Public Risk Management (PRM), a local government liability risk pool.

PRM administers insurance activities relating to property, general, automobile, public official's liability, workers' compensation, health and auto physical damage. The pool assesses each member its pro rata share of the estimated amount required to meet current year losses, operating expenses and reinsurance costs (premiums). To reduce its exposure to large losses on all types of insured events PRM uses reinsurance policies purchased from third parties. The Fund is fully funded annually.

Major uninsurable risks include damages to infrastructure assets and damages or governmental fines due to seepage, pollution or contamination of any kind. Since the amounts of loss cannot be reasonably estimated and the likelihood is undeterminable, no provision for such occurrences is included in these financial statements.

NOTE 14 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Implementation of New GASB Statement

The County implemented GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. GASB Statement No. 75 specifies that governments must recognize their total OPEB liability and related deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB expense in the financial statements based on the actuarial present value of projected benefit payments.

County OPEB Plan Description

In accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, because the Board provides medical plans to employees of the County and their eligible dependents, the Board is also required to provide retirees the opportunity to participate in the group employee health plan. Retirees participating in the group insurance plans offered by the County are required to contribute 100% of the active participants cost of participation.

Participant Count

As of September 30, 2021, membership consisted of:

Active Employees	425
Retired Participants (plus covered spouses)	55
Total Participants:	<hr/> 480 <hr/>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 14 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Participant Averages

Active Participants	
Average age	44.4
Average service	7.4
Retirees average age	69.5

Net OPEB Liability Assumptions

The County's net OPEB liability was measured as of September 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2020.

The total OPEB liability in the September 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Interest Rate:	
Discount Rate	2.26%
Municipal Bond Rate	2.26%
Inflation	2.50% per year

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 Public Retirement Plans General mortality table projected generationally with Scale MP-2021 for the Regular Class and Elected Officials and PUB-2010 Public Retirement Safety mortality table projected generationally with Scale MP-2021 for the Special Risk Class.

The most recent retirement and withdrawal experience study covered the period from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018.

Under GASB 75, the discount rate for unfunded plans must be based on a yield or index rate for a 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. Rates were taken from the Bond Buyer 20-Bond GO index as of the measurement date.

Actuarial Standards of Practice

Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 6 ("ASOP 6") provides guidance on measuring retiree group benefits obligations and determining retiree group benefits periodic costs or actuarially determined contributions.

Actuarial Standards Practice No. 35 ("ASOP 35") requires that each demographic and other noneconomic assumption should be reasonable individually and in conjunctions with one another. At each measurement date, the actuary should consider whether the selected assumptions continue to be reasonable. If the actuary determines that one or more of the previously selected assumptions are no longer reasonable, the actuary will perform an experience study to determine the best estimate for the Plan's population.

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September 30, 2021

NOTE 14 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Standards of Practice, (Continued)

Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 27 Revised (“ASOP 27”) requires that each economical assumption be reasonable based on the following characteristics: (a) appropriate for the purpose of the measurement; (b) reflects the actuary's professional judgement; (c) takes into account historical and current economic data that is relevant as of the measurement date; (d) reflects the actuary's estimate of future experience, observation of the estimates inherent in market data, or a combination thereof; and (e) has no significant bias. Given the uncertain nature of the items for which assumptions are selected, different actuaries will apply different professional judgement and may choose different reasonable assumptions. As a result, arrange of reasonable assumptions may develop both for an individual actuary and across actuarial practice.

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability
	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)
Balances at September 30, 2020	\$ 4,901,483	\$ -	\$ 4,901,483
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	443,980	-	443,980
Interest on the total OPEB liability	116,686	-	116,686
Difference between expected and actual experience	-	-	-
Employer contributions	-	131,136	(131,136)
Changes in assumptions	30,266	-	30,266
Benefit payments	(131,136)	(131,136)	-
Net Changes	459,796	-	459,796
Balances at September 30, 2021	\$ 5,361,279	\$ -	\$ 5,361,279

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 14 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability

Impact of change in Discount Rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 2.26%, as well as what the County's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (1.26%) or 1% higher (3.26%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (1.26%)	Current Discount Rate (2.26%)	1% Increase (3.26%)
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 6,308,756	\$ 5,361,279	\$ 4,603,442

Impact of change in Healthcare Trend Rates

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the County, calculated using a healthcare cost trend rates of 1% higher than the assumed healthcare cost trend rates for all years and a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1% lower than the assumed health care cost trend rates for all years:

	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 4,793,700	\$ 5,361,279	\$ 6,061,957

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

Since certain OPEB expense items are amortized over closed periods each year, the deferred portions of these items must be tracked annually. If the amounts increase the OPEB expense, they are labeled as deferred outflows and amounts that decrease the OPEB expense are labeled as deferred inflows. These outflows and inflows are amortized on a level dollar basis with no interest added for the deferred inflows. These outflows and inflows are amortized on a level dollar basis with no interest added for the deferred amounts. Deferred experience gain/losses and changes in assumptions are amortized over the average remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with benefits through the OPEB plan at the beginning of the measurement period. Investment gains/losses are amortized over a five year period. The following shows the summary of the deferred outflows and inflows as of September 30, 2021:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ (546,923)
Change in assumptions	998,372	(170,542)
	\$ 998,372	\$ (717,465)

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE 14 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Year ended September 30:</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
2022	\$ 63,060
2023	63,060
2024	63,062
2025	119,908
2026	(15,986)
Thereafter	(12,197)

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REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING SCHEDULE - BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As of September 30, 2021

	<u>Board of County Commissioners</u>	<u>Clerk of Circuit Court</u>	<u>Property Appraiser</u>	<u>Sheriff</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,126,801	\$ 435,653	\$272,529	\$1,113,397
Investments	3,586,973	-	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	19,856	-	-
Receivables (net)	2,327,846	3,622	22,049	-
Due from other funds	5,806,140	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	242,119	-	503,127
Total assets	<u>\$ 14,847,760</u>	<u>\$ 701,250</u>	<u>\$294,578</u>	<u>\$1,616,524</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 697,464	\$ 12,518	\$ 37,191	\$ 787,933
Accrued liabilities	156,057	49,994	30,578	590,981
Due to other funds	5,408,274	-	-	-
Due to other governments	-	282,979	-	-
Unearned revenue	4,074,359	-	-	65,117
Deposits	80,808	-	-	-
Other liabilities	5,104	355,759	226,809	172,493
Total liabilities	<u>10,422,066</u>	<u>701,250</u>	<u>294,578</u>	<u>1,616,524</u>
Fund balances				
Committed	3,300,000	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,125,694	-	-	-
Total fund balances	<u>4,425,694</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 14,847,760</u>	<u>\$ 701,250</u>	<u>\$294,578</u>	<u>\$1,616,524</u>

<u>Supervisor of Elections</u>	<u>Tax Collector</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 72,688	\$ 917,479	\$ 5,938,547
-	-	3,586,973
-	-	19,856
4,505	-	2,358,022
-	-	5,806,140
-	41,855	787,101
<u>\$ 77,193</u>	<u>\$ 959,334</u>	<u>\$ 18,496,639</u>

\$ 1,534	\$ 12,505	\$ 1,549,145
-	13,817	841,427
-	-	5,408,274
-	297,775	580,754
220	-	4,139,696
-	-	80,808
75,439	635,237	1,470,841
<u>77,193</u>	<u>959,334</u>	<u>14,070,945</u>

-	-	3,300,000
-	-	-
-	-	1,125,694
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,425,694</u>
<u>\$ 77,193</u>	<u>\$ 959,334</u>	<u>\$ 18,496,639</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GENERAL FUND
As of September 30, 2021

	Board of County Commissioners	Clerk of Circuit Court	Property Appraiser	Sheriff
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 18,841,362	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Licenses and permits	65,944	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	8,294,242	104,997	22,049	1,067,576
Charges for services	1,916,798	1,179,133	1,437,317	590,435
Miscellaneous	495,163	230,429	751	315,236
Total revenues	<u>29,613,509</u>	<u>1,514,559</u>	<u>1,460,117</u>	<u>1,973,247</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government	7,325,359	1,263,745	1,233,308	-
Court related	459,643	1,253,988	-	443,587
Public safety	5,914,090	-	-	14,475,448
Physical environment	717,511	-	-	-
Economic environment	853,754	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	143,725	-	-	-
Human services	1,548,597	-	-	-
Capital outlay				
General government	4,374	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	814,611
Debt service				
Principal retirement	675,663	-	-	309,284
Interest and fiscal charges	104,526	-	-	104,590
Total expenditures	<u>17,747,242</u>	<u>2,517,733</u>	<u>1,233,308</u>	<u>16,147,520</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>11,866,267</u>	<u>(1,003,174)</u>	<u>226,809</u>	<u>(14,174,273)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds for financing capital assets	-	-	-	213,938
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	15,874
Transfers in	3,957,468	1,358,933	-	14,029,336
Transfers out	(14,194,832)	(355,759)	(226,809)	(172,493)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(10,237,364)</u>	<u>1,003,174</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>	<u>14,086,655</u>
Net change in fund balances	1,628,903	-	-	(87,618)
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	2,796,791	-	-	87,618
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 4,425,694</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Supervisor of Elections	Tax Collector	Total
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,841,362
-	-	65,944
12,624	-	9,501,488
-	2,504,800	7,628,483
1,258	3,709	1,046,546
<u>13,882</u>	<u>2,508,509</u>	<u>37,083,823</u>
508,518	1,575,497	11,906,427
-	-	2,157,218
-	-	20,389,538
-	-	717,511
-	-	853,754
-	-	143,725
-	-	1,548,597
-	-	4,374
-	-	814,611
-	-	984,947
-	-	209,116
<u>508,518</u>	<u>1,575,497</u>	<u>39,729,818</u>
<u>(494,636)</u>	<u>933,012</u>	<u>(2,645,995)</u>
-	-	213,938
-	-	15,874
570,075	-	19,915,812
(75,439)	(933,012)	(15,958,344)
<u>494,636</u>	<u>(933,012)</u>	<u>4,187,280</u>
-	-	1,541,285
-	-	2,884,409
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,425,694</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
As of September 30, 2021

	Board of County Commissioners		Clerk of Circuit Court	
	Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 19,091,364	\$ 18,841,362	\$ -	\$ -
Licenses and permits	84,300	65,944	-	-
Intergovernmental	8,328,839	8,294,242	-	104,997
Charges for services	2,179,927	1,916,798	1,255,426	1,179,133
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	723,693	495,163	-	230,429
Total revenues	<u>30,408,123</u>	<u>29,613,509</u>	<u>1,255,426</u>	<u>1,514,559</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government	6,236,792	7,325,359	1,358,934	1,263,745
Court related	-	459,643	1,255,425	1,253,988
Public safety	5,655,382	5,914,090	-	-
Physical environment	616,503	717,511	-	-
Economic environment	722,888	853,754	-	-
Culture and recreation	120,398	143,725	-	-
Human services	1,321,217	1,548,597	-	-
Capital outlay				
General government	-	4,374	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Debt Service				
Principal retirement	449,538	675,663	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	90,243	104,526	-	-
Contingency	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>15,212,961</u>	<u>17,747,242</u>	<u>2,614,359</u>	<u>2,517,733</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>15,195,162</u>	<u>11,866,267</u>	<u>(1,358,933)</u>	<u>(1,003,174)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from issuance of debt	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	7,843,240	3,957,468	1,358,933	1,358,933
Transfers out	(23,038,402)	(14,194,832)	-	(355,759)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(15,195,162)</u>	<u>(10,237,364)</u>	<u>1,358,933</u>	<u>1,003,174</u>
Net change in fund balances	-	1,628,903	-	-
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	-	2,796,791	-	-
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,425,694</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Property Appraiser		Sheriff		Supervisor of Elections	
Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget	Actual
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	22,049	1,067,576	1,067,576	-	12,624
1,437,317	1,437,317	590,435	590,435	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	751	315,236	315,236	-	1,258
<u>1,437,317</u>	<u>1,460,117</u>	<u>1,973,247</u>	<u>1,973,247</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,882</u>
1,437,317	1,233,308	-	-	570,075	508,518
-	-	383,848	443,587	-	-
-	-	15,174,358	14,475,448	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	325,251	814,611	-	-
-	-	85,000	309,284	-	-
-	-	-	104,590	-	-
-	-	50,000	-	-	-
<u>1,437,317</u>	<u>1,233,308</u>	<u>16,018,457</u>	<u>16,147,520</u>	<u>570,075</u>	<u>508,518</u>
-	226,809	(14,045,210)	(14,174,273)	(570,075)	(494,636)
-	-	-	213,938	-	-
-	-	15,874	15,874	-	-
-	-	14,029,336	14,029,336	570,075	570,075
-	(226,809)	(87,618)	(172,493)	-	(75,439)
-	(226,809)	13,957,592	14,086,655	570,075	494,636
-	-	(87,618)	(87,618)	-	-
-	-	498,357	87,618	-	-
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 410,739</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND, NON-GAAP BASIS
(CONTINUED)
As of September 30, 2021

	Tax Collector		Total		Variance - Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget	Actual	
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,091,364	\$ 18,841,362	\$ (250,002)
Licenses and permits	-	-	84,300	65,944	(18,356)
Intergovernmental	-	-	9,396,415	9,501,488	105,073
Charges for services	1,753,105	2,504,800	7,216,210	7,628,483	412,273
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	3,709	1,038,929	1,046,546	7,617
Total revenues	1,753,105	2,508,509	36,827,218	37,083,823	256,605
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	1,753,105	1,575,497	11,356,223	11,906,427	(550,204)
Court related	-	-	1,639,273	2,157,218	(517,945)
Public safety	-	-	20,829,740	20,389,538	440,202
Physical environment	-	-	616,503	717,511	(101,008)
Economic environment	-	-	722,888	853,754	(130,866)
Culture and recreation	-	-	120,398	143,725	(23,327)
Human services	-	-	1,321,217	1,548,597	(227,380)
Capital outlay					
General government	-	-	-	4,374	(4,374)
Public safety	-	-	325,251	814,611	(489,360)
Debt Service					
Principal retirement	-	-	534,538	984,947	(450,409)
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	90,243	209,116	(118,873)
Contingency	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Total expenditures	1,753,105	1,575,497	37,606,274	39,729,818	(2,123,544)
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	-	933,012	(779,056)	(2,645,995)	(1,866,939)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from issuance of debt	-	-	-	213,938	213,938
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	15,874	15,874	-
Transfers in	-	-	23,801,584	19,915,812	(3,885,772)
Transfers out	-	(933,012)	(23,126,020)	(15,958,344)	7,167,676
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	(933,012)	691,438	4,187,280	3,495,842
Net change in fund balances	-	-	(87,618)	1,541,285	1,628,903
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	-	-	498,357	2,884,409	2,386,052
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 410,739	\$ 4,425,694	\$4,014,955

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Law Enforcement Trust	Section 8 Housing	Court Technology Fund	Local Affordable Housing	Emergency 911	Port Labelle Street Lighting District
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 37,465	\$ 139,929	\$ 17,413	\$ 556,500	\$ 51,768	\$ 119,956
Investments, at fair value	-	-	33,924	39,922	100,852	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receivables (net)	-	802	-	6,143	-	10
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	8,096	-	34,831	-
Total assets	\$ 37,465	\$ 140,731	\$ 59,433	\$ 602,565	\$ 187,451	\$ 119,966
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 1,143	\$ 485	\$ 39,572	\$ 12,034	\$ 42,371	\$ 4,526
Accrued liabilities	-	596	-	1,050	2,783	-
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	20,022	2,113
Due to other governments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	451,051	-	-
Deposits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	5,401	-	-
Total liabilities	1,143	1,081	39,572	469,536	65,176	6,639
Fund balances						
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	36,322	139,650	19,861	133,029	122,275	113,327
Total fund balances (deficits)	36,322	139,650	19,861	133,029	122,275	113,327
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 37,465	\$ 140,731	\$ 59,433	\$ 602,565	\$ 187,451	\$ 119,966

Special Revenue Funds

East Hendry County Drainage District	East Hendry County Fire District	West Hendry County Fire District	Mid-County MSBU	East Hendry County Recreational MSBU	West Hendry County Recreational MSBU	Airport Sears MSBU	Felda MSBU
\$ 117,510	\$ 35,880	\$ 505,483	\$ 326,578	\$ 224,394	\$ 149,200	\$ 401,731	\$ 132,474
228,922	72,167	982,475	636,216	146,322	290,661	782,621	258,074
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	1,580	-	-	40,915	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>\$ 346,432</u>	<u>\$ 108,047</u>	<u>\$ 1,489,538</u>	<u>\$ 962,794</u>	<u>\$ 370,716</u>	<u>\$ 480,776</u>	<u>\$ 1,184,352</u>	<u>\$ 390,548</u>
\$ 4,992	\$ 4,441	\$ 86,349	\$ 10,647	\$ 1,686	\$ 123,803	\$ 56	\$ 115
-	10,682	2,602	-	2,838	11,903	-	-
1,682	132,705	16,259	7,111	12,270	8,384	5,696	2,881
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	148,784	-	-	-
<u>6,674</u>	<u>147,828</u>	<u>105,210</u>	<u>17,758</u>	<u>165,578</u>	<u>144,090</u>	<u>5,752</u>	<u>2,996</u>
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
339,758	(39,781)	1,384,328	945,036	205,138	336,686	1,178,600	387,552
<u>339,758</u>	<u>(39,781)</u>	<u>1,384,328</u>	<u>945,036</u>	<u>205,138</u>	<u>336,686</u>	<u>1,178,600</u>	<u>387,552</u>
<u>\$ 346,432</u>	<u>\$ 108,047</u>	<u>\$ 1,489,538</u>	<u>\$ 962,794</u>	<u>\$ 370,716</u>	<u>\$ 480,776</u>	<u>\$ 1,184,352</u>	<u>\$ 390,548</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds					
	North Labelle MSBU	Four Corners MSBU	Wheeler Road MSBU	Hooker's Point Lighting	Mosquito Control	Phillips Road MSBU
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 96,904	\$ 111,429	\$ 92,919	\$ 16,760	\$ 178,775	\$ 1,366
Investments, at fair value	188,782	217,077	181,019	32,649	348,275	2,660
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receivables (net)	-	-	-	-	9,239	-
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 285,686	\$ 328,506	\$ 273,938	\$ 49,409	\$ 536,289	\$ 4,026
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 473	\$ 51,259	\$ 8,936	\$ 951	\$ 96,441	\$ -
Accrued liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due to other funds	3,585	3,217	4,405	18	15,589	-
Due to other governments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits	-	-	-	-	3,506	-
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	4,058	54,476	13,341	969	115,536	-
Fund balances						
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	281,628	274,030	260,597	48,440	420,753	4,026
Total fund balances (deficits)	281,628	274,030	260,597	48,440	420,753	4,026
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 285,686	\$ 328,506	\$ 273,938	\$ 49,409	\$ 536,289	\$ 4,026

Special Revenue Funds

Sky Valley MSBU	Fines and forfeitures	LaBelle Airport Fund	Property Appraiser	Clerk of Circuit Court's Modernization Trust Fund	Documentary Stamps & Intangible Tax	Sheriff's Gun Range Fund	Sheriff's Training Fund	Sheriff's Equitable Sharing Program Fund
\$ 13,482	\$ 151,640	\$ 56,681	\$ 195,665	\$ 188,916	\$ -	\$ 43,757	\$ 17,650	\$ 2,728
26,263	185,405	110,420	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	16,492	-	-	-	-
-	-	207,395	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	98,764	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>\$ 39,745</u>	<u>\$ 435,809</u>	<u>\$ 374,496</u>	<u>\$ 195,665</u>	<u>\$ 205,408</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>
\$ 452	\$ 124,108	\$ 40,326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
-	4,796	199	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	1,086,150	15,630	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1,500	34,395	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>466</u>	<u>1,216,554</u>	<u>90,550</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
-	-	-	-	205,408	-	-	-	-
39,279	(780,745)	283,946	195,665	-	-	43,757	17,650	2,728
<u>39,279</u>	<u>(780,745)</u>	<u>283,946</u>	<u>195,665</u>	<u>205,408</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,757</u>	<u>17,650</u>	<u>2,728</u>
<u>\$ 39,745</u>	<u>\$ 435,809</u>	<u>\$ 374,496</u>	<u>\$ 195,665</u>	<u>\$ 205,408</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds				
	Sheriff's Commissary	Airglades Airport Fund	Seven K Estates MSBU	Murray Road MSBU	Building Department
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 863,806	\$ 248,527	\$ 450	\$ 3,738	\$ 447,629
Investments, at fair value	-	484,161	876	7,283	872,037
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Receivables (net)	28,495	24,460	-	-	-
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 892,301	\$ 757,148	\$ 1,326	\$ 11,021	\$ 1,319,666
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 26,906	\$ 41,089	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,411
Accrued liabilities	-	98	-	-	17,583
Due to other funds	-	63,807	-	-	44,901
Due to other governments	-	-	-	-	-
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	-	42,498	-	-	-
Total liabilities	26,906	147,492	-	-	72,895
Fund balances					
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	865,395	609,656	1,326	11,021	1,246,771
Total fund balances (deficits)	865,395	609,656	1,326	11,021	1,246,771
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 892,301	\$ 757,148	\$ 1,326	\$ 11,021	\$ 1,319,666

Special Revenue Funds		Capital Project Funds			Total
Hendry Cares Act	Solid Waste Disposal	Capital Projects	LOC Improvements	Building Projects	Non-Major Governmental Funds
\$1,062,536	\$ 294,140	\$ 49,934	\$ 716,252	\$19,026	\$ 7,690,991
2,069,952	445,826	97,277	1,395,348	-	10,237,466
-	-	-	-	-	16,492
-	23,657	467,028	-	23,320	833,044
-	1,100,000	-	-	-	1,100,000
-	-	-	-	-	141,691
<u>\$3,132,488</u>	<u>\$1,863,623</u>	<u>\$ 614,239</u>	<u>\$ 2,111,600</u>	<u>\$42,346</u>	<u>\$ 20,019,684</u>
\$ 37,925	\$ 286,383	\$157,009	\$ 129,141	\$ 5,366	\$ 1,349,396
-	1,507	-	-	-	56,637
-	49,714	795,799	-	-	2,291,952
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	451,051
-	-	-	-	-	39,401
-	-	-	-	-	196,683
<u>37,925</u>	<u>337,604</u>	<u>952,808</u>	<u>129,141</u>	<u>5,366</u>	<u>4,385,120</u>
-	-	-	-	-	205,408
<u>3,094,563</u>	<u>1,526,019</u>	<u>(338,569)</u>	<u>1,982,459</u>	<u>36,980</u>	<u>15,429,156</u>
<u>3,094,563</u>	<u>1,526,019</u>	<u>(338,569)</u>	<u>1,982,459</u>	<u>36,980</u>	<u>15,634,564</u>
<u>\$3,132,488</u>	<u>\$1,863,623</u>	<u>\$ 614,239</u>	<u>\$ 2,111,600</u>	<u>\$42,346</u>	<u>\$ 20,019,684</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Law Enforcement Trust	Section 8 Housing	Court Technology Fund	Local Affordable Housing	Emergency 911	Port Labelle Street Lighting District
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98,850
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	378,309	-	270,075	369,402	-
Charges for services	-	61,431	83,740	-	181,729	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	29	36,437	16,443	10
Total revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>439,740</u>	<u>83,769</u>	<u>306,512</u>	<u>567,574</u>	<u>98,860</u>
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
General government	-	-	60,208	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	1,143	-	-	-	537,309	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-	-	61,291
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	374,402	-	306,512	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay						
General government	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service						
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>1,143</u>	<u>374,402</u>	<u>60,208</u>	<u>306,512</u>	<u>537,309</u>	<u>61,291</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(1,143)</u>	<u>65,338</u>	<u>23,561</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,265</u>	<u>37,569</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds from financing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(1,143)	65,338	23,561	-	30,265	37,569
Fund balances - September 30, 2020	37,465	74,312	(3,700)	133,029	92,010	75,758
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 36,322</u>	<u>\$ 139,650</u>	<u>\$ 19,861</u>	<u>\$ 133,029</u>	<u>\$ 122,275</u>	<u>\$ 113,327</u>

Special Revenue Funds

East Hendry County Drainage District	East Hendry County Fire District	West Hendry County Fire District	Mid-County MSBU	East Hendry County Recreational MSBU	West Hendry County Recreational MSBU	Airport Sears MSBU	Felda MSBU
\$ 41,788	\$ 735,083	\$ 846,876	\$ 257,962	\$ 374,968	\$ 561,262	\$ 94,039	\$ 23,140
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	5,987	1,165	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	1,207	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6,890	478	2,822	2,436	2,968	1,056	2,490	820
<u>48,678</u>	<u>741,548</u>	<u>850,863</u>	<u>260,398</u>	<u>379,143</u>	<u>562,318</u>	<u>96,529</u>	<u>23,960</u>
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	578,232	542,366	-	-	-	-	-
26,701	-	-	-	-	-	24,206	11,323
-	-	-	326,449	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	351,481	521,587	-	-
-	-	-	18,500	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	12,554	-
-	-	16,000	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	-
<u>26,701</u>	<u>578,232</u>	<u>560,866</u>	<u>344,949</u>	<u>351,481</u>	<u>521,587</u>	<u>36,760</u>	<u>11,323</u>
21,977	163,316	289,997	(84,551)	27,662	40,731	59,769	12,637
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21,977	163,316	289,997	(84,551)	27,662	40,731	59,769	12,637
317,781	(203,097)	1,094,331	1,029,587	177,476	295,955	1,118,831	374,915
<u>\$ 339,758</u>	<u>\$ (39,781)</u>	<u>\$ 1,384,328</u>	<u>\$ 945,036</u>	<u>\$ 205,138</u>	<u>\$ 336,686</u>	<u>\$1,178,600</u>	<u>\$387,552</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds					
	North Labelle MSBU	Four Corners MSBU	Wheeler Road MSBU	Hooker's Point Lighting	Mosquito Control	Phillips Road MSBU
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$ 50,281	\$ 17,212	\$ 84,685	\$ 19,367	\$ 480,420	\$ -
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	36,960	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	675	841	605	97	26,921	9
Total revenues	<u>50,956</u>	<u>18,053</u>	<u>85,290</u>	<u>19,464</u>	<u>544,301</u>	<u>9</u>
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
General government	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	56,316	105,991	60,655	11,814	565,935	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay						
General government	-	17,079	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	16,240	-	9,334	-	-	-
Debt service						
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>72,556</u>	<u>123,070</u>	<u>69,989</u>	<u>11,814</u>	<u>565,935</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(21,600)</u>	<u>(105,017)</u>	<u>15,301</u>	<u>7,650</u>	<u>(21,634)</u>	<u>9</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds from financing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(21,600)	(105,017)	15,301	7,650	(21,634)	9
Fund balances - September 30, 2020	303,228	379,047	245,296	40,790	442,387	4,017
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 281,628</u>	<u>\$ 274,030</u>	<u>\$ 260,597</u>	<u>\$ 48,440</u>	<u>\$ 420,753</u>	<u>\$ 4,026</u>

Special Revenue Funds

Sky Valley MSBU	Fines and Forfeitures	LaBelle Airport Fund	Property Appraiser	Clerk of Circuit Court's Modernization Trust Fund	Documentary Stamps & Intangible Tax	Sheriff's Gun Range Fund	Sheriff's Training Fund	Sheriff's Equitable Sharing Program
\$ 13,901	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	19,427	1,341,171	-	107,443	-	-	-	-
-	422,642	478,055	122,276	-	4,766,817	11,706	5,620	-
-	304,753	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
83	135,441	1,277	565	-	-	20	4	1
<u>13,984</u>	<u>882,263</u>	<u>1,820,503</u>	<u>122,841</u>	<u>107,443</u>	<u>4,766,817</u>	<u>11,726</u>	<u>5,624</u>	<u>1</u>
-	-	-	112,500	78,719	4,766,817	-	-	-
-	454,166	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	269,398	-	-	-	-	16,687	38	-
9,851	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	1,619,880	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	203,939	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>9,851</u>	<u>723,564</u>	<u>1,823,819</u>	<u>112,500</u>	<u>78,719</u>	<u>4,766,817</u>	<u>16,687</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>4,133</u>	<u>158,699</u>	<u>(3,316)</u>	<u>10,341</u>	<u>28,724</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,961)</u>	<u>5,586</u>	<u>1</u>
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	(429,862)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>-</u>	<u>(429,862)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4,133	(271,163)	(3,316)	10,341	28,724	-	(4,961)	5,586	1
35,146	(509,582)	287,262	185,324	176,684	-	48,718	12,064	2,727
<u>\$ 39,279</u>	<u>\$(780,745)</u>	<u>\$ 283,946</u>	<u>\$ 195,665</u>	<u>\$ 205,408</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds				
	Sheriff's Commissary	Airglades Airport Fund	Seven K Estates MSBU	Murray Road MSBU	Building Department
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,901	\$ -
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	1,419,406
Intergovernmental	-	46,096	-	-	-
Charges for services	361,030	656,193	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	2,673	333,620	1,694	-	15,548
Total revenues	<u>363,703</u>	<u>1,035,909</u>	<u>1,694</u>	<u>7,901</u>	<u>1,434,954</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	-	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	116,612	-	-	-	713,280
Physical environment	-	-	-	29,170	-
Transportation	-	911,335	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay					
General government	-	37,096	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service					
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>116,612</u>	<u>948,431</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,170</u>	<u>713,280</u>
Excess (deficiencies) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>247,091</u>	<u>87,478</u>	<u>1,694</u>	<u>(21,269)</u>	<u>721,674</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from financing	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	(25,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>
Net change in fund balances	247,091	87,478	1,694	(21,269)	696,674
Fund balances - September 30, 2020	618,304	522,178	(368)	32,290	550,097
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 865,395</u>	<u>\$ 609,656</u>	<u>\$ 1,326</u>	<u>\$ 11,021</u>	<u>\$ 1,246,771</u>

Special Revenue Funds		Capital Project Funds			Total
Hendry Cares Act	Solid Waste Disposal	Capital Projects	LOC Improvement	Building Projects	Non-Major Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$2,096,540	\$ 3,736,593	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,540,868
-	-	-	-	-	1,419,406
5,448,489	93,750	-	-	-	8,118,274
-	183,575	-	-	-	7,336,021
-	-	-	-	-	304,753
-	7,186	2,892	-	98,171	701,202
<u>5,448,489</u>	<u>2,381,051</u>	<u>3,739,485</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,171</u>	<u>27,420,524</u>
-	-	262,624	1,266,219	95,937	6,643,024
-	-	-	-	-	454,166
4,000,945	-	-	-	-	6,776,010
-	2,575,210	-	-	-	3,538,463
-	-	-	-	-	2,857,664
-	-	-	-	-	680,914
-	-	-	-	-	873,068
-	-	249,112	162,643	-	688,369
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	38,128
-	-	-	-	-	16,000
-	-	-	-	-	2,500
<u>4,000,945</u>	<u>2,575,210</u>	<u>511,736</u>	<u>1,428,862</u>	<u>95,937</u>	<u>22,568,306</u>
<u>1,447,544</u>	<u>(194,159)</u>	<u>3,227,749</u>	<u>(1,428,862)</u>	<u>2,234</u>	<u>4,852,218</u>
-	-	-	3,450,000	-	3,450,000
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	(3,502,606)	-	-	(3,957,468)
-	-	(3,502,606)	3,450,000	-	(507,468)
1,447,544	(194,159)	(274,857)	2,021,138	2,234	4,344,750
1,647,019	1,720,178	(63,712)	(38,679)	34,746	11,289,814
<u>\$3,094,563</u>	<u>\$1,526,019</u>	<u>\$ (338,569)</u>	<u>\$ 1,982,459</u>	<u>\$ 36,980</u>	<u>\$ 15,634,564</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUNDS
As of September 30, 2021

	Clerk of the Circuit Court	Sheriff	Tax Collector	Total Custodial Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,158,377	\$ 142,413	\$ 883,968	\$ 4,184,758
Receivables (net)	-	44,066	-	44,066
Total assets	<u>3,158,377</u>	<u>186,479</u>	<u>883,968</u>	<u>4,228,824</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	-	22,730	-	22,730
Due to other governments	2,425,324	80,387	107,378	2,613,089
Due to individuals	-	12,742	776,590	789,332
Total liabilities	<u>2,425,324</u>	<u>115,859</u>	<u>883,968</u>	<u>3,425,151</u>
NET POSITION				
Restricted for:				
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	733,053	70,620	-	803,673
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 733,053</u>	<u>\$ 70,620</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 803,673</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Clerk of the Circuit Court	Sheriff	Tax Collector	Total Custodial Funds
Additions:				
Taxes, permits, and fees	\$ 8,234,454	\$ -	\$ 90,593,133	\$ 98,827,587
Inmate deposits	-	746,427	-	746,427
Charges for services	-	-	13,015	13,015
Other collections	1,952,241	139,623	25,166	2,117,030
Total additions	<u>10,186,695</u>	<u>886,050</u>	<u>90,631,314</u>	<u>101,704,059</u>
Deductions:				
Payments to individuals	1,991,219	778,362	13,933,322	16,702,903
Payments to organizations	-	13,516	-	13,516
Payments to other governments	8,243,861	84,084	76,697,992	85,025,937
Total deductions	<u>10,235,080</u>	<u>875,962</u>	<u>90,631,314</u>	<u>101,742,356</u>
Change in Fiduciary Net Position	(48,385)	10,088	-	(38,297)
Fiduciary Net Position:				
Beginning, as restated	781,438	60,532	-	841,970
Ending	<u>\$ 733,053</u>	<u>\$ 70,620</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 803,673</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Plan Liability
Florida Retirement System Pension Plan
For the Last Seven Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	<u>6/30/2021</u>	<u>6/30/2020</u>	<u>6/30/2019</u>	<u>6/30/2018</u>	<u>6/30/2017</u>	<u>6/30/2016</u>	<u>6/30/2015</u>	<u>6/30/2014</u>
County's proportion of the net pension liability	0.06880%	0.07456%	0.07159%	0.07300%	0.07537%	0.07325%	0.06703%	0.06420%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 5,197,274	\$ 32,313,563	\$ 24,653,496	\$ 22,074,803	\$ 22,294,200	\$ 18,496,380	\$ 8,657,429	\$ 3,917,027
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 14,123,289	\$ 14,089,706	\$ 13,231,730	\$ 13,217,447	\$ 13,087,294	\$ 12,162,212	\$ 11,951,308	\$ 11,095,372
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	36.80%	229.34%	186.32%	167.01%	170.35%	152.08%	72.44%	35.30%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	96.40%	78.85%	82.61%	84.26%	83.89%	84.88%	92.00%	96.09%

Schedule of the County's Contributions to the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan
Last Seven Fiscal Years

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 2,241,195	\$ 2,193,050	\$ 1,951,402	\$ 1,809,113	\$ 1,787,412	\$ 1,598,337	\$ 1,877,742	\$ 1,701,137
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(2,241,195)	(2,193,050)	(1,951,402)	(1,809,113)	(1,787,412)	(1,598,337)	1,877,742	1,701,137
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 14,121,328	\$ 14,316,481	\$ 13,464,976	\$ 12,964,821	\$ 13,264,354	\$ 12,110,054	\$ 11,951,308	\$ 11,095,372
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	15.87%	15.32%	14.49%	13.95%	13.48%	13.20%	15.71%	15.33%

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Plan Liability
Health Insurance Subsidy Plan
For the Last Seven Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	<u>6/30/2021</u>	<u>6/30/2020</u>	<u>6/30/2019</u>	<u>6/30/2018</u>	<u>6/30/2017</u>	<u>6/30/2016</u>	<u>6/30/2015</u>	<u>6/30/2014</u>
County's proportion of the HIS Plan liability	0.05182%	0.05249%	0.05095%	0.05070%	0.04993%	0.04734%	0.00473%	0.04660%
County's proportionate share of the HIS Plan liability	\$ 6,357,066	\$ 6,409,069	\$ 5,701,084	\$ 5,366,772	\$ 5,338,798	\$ 5,587,709	\$ 4,828,351	\$ 4,356,955
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 18,458,124	\$ 18,206,917	\$ 16,946,918	\$ 17,326,036	\$ 15,959,182	\$ 14,890,780	\$ 14,489,748	\$ 13,530,942
County's proportionate share of the HIS Plan liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	34.44%	35.20%	33.64%	30.98%	33.45%	37.52%	33.32%	32.20%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total HIS Plan liability	3.56%	3.00%	2.63%	2.15%	1.64%	0.97%	0.50%	0.99%

Schedule of the County's Contributions to the Health Insurance Subsidy Plan
Last Seven Fiscal Years

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 307,334	\$ 307,711	\$ 291,388	\$ 271,273	\$ 269,317	\$ 247,253	\$ 197,705	\$ 171,106
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(307,334)	(307,711)	(291,388)	(271,273)	(269,317)	(247,253)	(197,705)	(171,106)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 18,514,110	\$ 18,536,853	\$ 17,553,102	\$ 16,351,775	\$ 16,223,884	\$ 14,894,726	\$ 14,489,748	\$ 13,530,942
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	1.66%	1.66%	1.66%	1.66%	1.66%	1.66%	1.36%	1.26%

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability				
For the fiscal years ended September 30:				
Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability				
Service Cost	\$ 443,980	\$ 359,989	\$ 247,984	\$ 324,922
Interest	116,686	133,841	159,790	142,870
Change in benefit terms	-	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	-	(729,231)	-	-
Change in assumptions	30,266	571,083	951,258	(397,934)
Benefit payments	(131,136)	(211,642)	(204,486)	(115,734)
Net change in Total OPEB Liability	459,796	124,040	1,154,546	(45,876)
Total OPEB Liability - beginning	4,901,483	4,777,443	3,622,897	3,668,773
Total OPEB Liability - ending	5,361,279	4,901,483	4,777,443	3,622,897
Plan Fiduciary Net Position				
Contributions - Employer	131,136	211,642	204,486	115,734
Contributions - Members	-	-	-	-
Net investment income	-	-	-	-
Benefit payments	(131,136)	(211,642)	(204,486)	(115,734)
Administrative expenses	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
Net change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	-	-	-	-
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - beginning	-	-	-	-
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - ending	-	-	-	-
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 5,361,279	\$ 4,901,483	\$ 4,777,443	\$ 3,622,897
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB Liability	-	-	-	-
Covered employee Payroll	\$ 19,234,453	\$ 18,141,628	\$ 17,296,799	-
Plan net OPEB liability as a percentage of the covered employee payroll	27.87%	27.02%	27.62%	N/A

Since GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, was implemented for fiscal year 2018, the total OPEB liability was not available prior to fiscal year 2018.

**HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Schedule of OPEB Contributions

	For the fiscal years ended September 30:			
	2021	2020	2019	2018
Actuarially Determined Contribution*	\$ 623,726	\$ 553,107	\$ 486,820	\$ 410,944
Contribution in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	131,136	211,642	204,486	115,734
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ 492,590	\$ 341,465	\$ 282,334	\$ 295,210
Covered Employee Payroll	19,234,453	18,141,628	17,296,799	N/A
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll	0.68%	1.17%	1.18%	N/A

**Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate discretely presented component units and remaining fund information of Hendry County, Florida, (the "County") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's basic financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2021-001-HC that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The County's Response to Finding

The County's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The County's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

SINGLE AUDIT

Report of Independent Auditor on Compliance for Each Major Federal Awards Program and State Financial Assistance Project and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the *Uniform Guidance* and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and State Financial Assistance Project

We have audited Hendry County, Florida's (the "County") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement*; and the requirements described in the State of Florida Department of Financial Services' State Projects Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs and state financial assistance projects for the year ended September 30, 2021. The County's major federal programs and state financial assistance projects are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs and state financial assistance projects.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the County's major federal programs and state financial assistance projects based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulation Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance")*; and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Those standards, the *Uniform Guidance*, and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*, require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program or state financial assistance project occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program and state financial assistance project. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance.

Opinion of Each Major Federal Program and State Financial Assistance Project

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs and state financial assistance projects for the year ended September 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program and state financial assistance project to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and state financial assistance project and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the *Uniform Guidance*, and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program or state financial assistance project on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program or state financial assistance project will not be prevented, or detected and correct, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program or state financial assistance project that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the *Uniform Guidance*, and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

FEDERAL AGENCY <i>Pass-through entity</i> Federal Program - Project Name	Federal CFDA Number	Contract / Grant Number	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY</u>			
<i>Passed through the Federal Emergency Management Agency</i>			
Emergence Management Preparedness & Assistance (EMPG)	97.042	GO111	\$ 13,934
Emergence Management Preparedness & Assistance (EMPG)	97.042	G0170	3,635
Emergence Management Preparedness & Assistance (EMPG)	97.042	G0270	15,886
			<u>33,455</u>
Disaster Grants-Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	DR4337	150,604
Disaster Grants-Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	Z1758	232,895
			<u>383,499</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			<u>416,954</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</u>			
<i>Passed through State of Florida, Department of Revenue</i>			
Title IV Child Support Enforcement	93.563	COC26	104,997
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			<u>104,997</u>
<u>U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION</u>			
<i>Help America Vote Act Requirements Payments:</i>			
Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act	90.404	MOA#2020-001-HEN	10,635
Elections Security	90.404	MOA#2021-001-HEN	4,425
TOTAL U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION			<u>15,060</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY</u>			
American Rescue Plan Act	21.027	1505-0271	12,695
<i>Passed through Florida Housing Finance Corporation</i>			
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)	21.019	059-2020	174,292
<i>Passed through State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management</i>			
FEMA-Cares Act-BOCC	21.019	Y2295	88,424
			<u>262,716</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY			<u>275,411</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u>			
<i>Passed through State of Florida, Department of Transportation</i>			
Formula Grants for Rural Areas - FTA Section 5311 CARES	20.509	FM#447489-1-84-01	27,433
Formula Grants for Rural Areas - FTA Section 5311 CARES-Clewiston/LaBelle	20.509	FM#447490-1-84-01	147,589
			<u>175,022</u>
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster -			
OLD CR78 Sidewalk Project	20.205	FM#435016-1-38/58/68-01	213,700
Tangent Safety Improvements on CR833, CR835, and CR846	20.205	FM#438377-1-38/58/68-01	454,610
Harlem Sidewalks at Various Locations	20.205	FM#438095-1-38/58/68-01	93,939
Total - Highway Planning and Construction Cluster			<u>762,249</u>
<i>Passed through the Federal Aviation Administration</i>			
Airport Improvement Program -			
LaBelle Municipal Airport Taxiway and Taxilane Rehabilitation	20.106	3-12-0125-012-2020	991,476
LaBelle Municipal Airport Taxiway Extension	20.106	3-12-0125-015-2021	158,618
Airport Coronavirus Response	20.106	3-12-0012-009-2021	9,000
Airport Coronavirus Response	20.106	3-12-0125-014-2021	13,000
			<u>1,172,094</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			<u>2,109,365</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE</u>			
<i>Passed through State of Florida Department of Law Enforcement</i>			
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2020-VDBX-1645	37,352
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2020-JAGC-HEND-1-5R-145	74,123
			<u>111,475</u>
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant	16.575	0-00637	34,818
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE			<u>146,293</u>

The notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS - (CONTINUED)
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

FEDERAL AGENCY <i>Pass-through entity</i> Federal Program - Project Name	Federal CFDA Number	Contract / Grant Number	Federal Expenditures
<u>NATIONAL PARK SERVICE</u>			
<i>Passed through the Division of Historical Resources</i>			
Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund - Hurricane Irma National Park Service	15.957	None	<u>148,511</u>
TOTAL NATIONAL PARK SERVICE			<u>148,511</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT</u>			
<i>Passed through State of Florida Department of Community Affairs</i>			
Lower Income Housing Assistance Program_Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation - Section 8 Voucher Program	14.856	A3405	312,098
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	14.228	17DB-OL-09-36-01-H11	<u>255,188</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			<u>567,286</u>
<u>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>			
<i>Passed through State of Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services</i>			
Cooperative Forestry Assistance	10.664	None	<u>7,152</u>
TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			<u>7,152</u>
 TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS			 <u>\$ 3,791,029</u>

The notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

STATE AGENCY State Project - Project Name	State CSFA Number	Grant / Contract Number	State Expenditures
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES			
Prepaid Next Generation 911 (NG911) State Grant Program - E911 Winter 2019 - System Replacement	72.003	S12-19-02-11	\$ 13,000
Wireless 911 State Grant Program - Winter 2021-GIS Data Support	72.002	S17-21-02-19	68,060
Fall 2019-GIS Data Support	72.002	S14-19-12-05	92,090
			<u>160,150</u>
Wireless 911 Emergency Telephone System - E-911 Fall 2019 Rural County Grant - MAP Maintenance	72.001	19-10-11	3,758
E-911 Spring 2020 Rural County -Net Clock Replacement	72.001	20-04-12	13,918
E-911 Spring 2020 Rural County-GIS Software and Services	72.001	20-04-13	35,000
E-911 Spring 2020 Rural County Grant - AC System Replacement	72.001	20-04-14	3,280
E-911 Fall 2020 Rural County Grant-System Maintenance	72.001	20-10-09	74,720
			<u>130,676</u>
			<u>303,826</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH			
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Awards - Emergency Medical Grant	64.005	R9050	20,597
			<u>20,597</u>
			<u>20,597</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
Small County Road Assistance Program (SCRAP) - CR78 From Kirby Thompson Road to Ft. Denaud Bridge Way	55.016	FM#435050-54-01	26,471
Ft Denaud from SR80 to Ft Denaud Bridge Way	55.016	FM#442468-1-54-01	999,677
Lewis Boulevard	55.016	FM#438571-1-54-01	583,723
CR80 A (Cowboy Way) from SR80 to Bridge Street	55.016	FM#436655-1-54-02	113,556
			<u>1,723,427</u>
Small County Outreach Program (SCOP) - Sonora Ave/CR 832From WC Owen to Davidson Rd	55.009	FM#431888-1-54-01	813,874
County Incentive Grant Program - Helms Road Extention Construction From SR29 to SR80	55.008	FM#419948-3-5801	101,045
Helms Road Extention From SR29 to SR80	55.008	FM#419948-4-34-01	36,522
			<u>137,567</u>
Aviation Development Grants - Traffic Signal Maintenance and Compensation Agreement	55.004	FM#412670-01-8801	9,919
Aviation Development	55.004	FM#441509-1-94-01	37,096
LaBelle Municipal Taxiway and Taxilane Rehabilitation	55.004	FM#446241-1-94-01	154,866
T-Hangars and Access Drives Aviation	55.004	FM#439943-1-94-01	35,116
			<u>236,997</u>
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant	55.001	G1S70	216,821
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant	55.001	G1X72	101,676
			<u>318,497</u>
			<u>3,230,362</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION			
Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program -	48.140	N/A	33,929
			<u>33,929</u>
			<u>33,929</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION			
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP)	40.901	NONE	306,512
			<u>306,512</u>
			<u>306,512</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY			
Growth management Implementation - Community Planning Technical Assistance	40.024	P0390	40,000
			<u>40,000</u>
			<u>40,000</u>

The notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - (CONTINUED)
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

STATE AGENCY State Project - Project Name	State CSFA Number	Grant / Contract Number	State Expenditures
<u>STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u>			
Statewide Surface Water Restoration and Wastewater Projects -			
DEP-Force Main from Airglades Airport to Clewiston	37.039	S0857	9,620
DEP-Water Restoration Assistance	37.039	S0858	<u>95,073</u>
			104,693
Small County Consolidated Grants	37.012	SC114	<u>93,750</u>
			<u>198,443</u>
<u>STATE OF FLORIDA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR</u>			
Emergency Management Programs -			
Emergency Management Preparedness & Assistance Base Grant	31.063	A0102	67,357
Emergency Management Preparedness & Assistance Base Grant	31.063	A0185	<u>36,214</u>
			<u>103,571</u>
			<u>\$ 4,237,240</u>

The notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

NOTE 1 – GENERAL

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (the “Schedule”) presents the activity of all federal awards and state financial assistance of Hendry County, Florida (the “County”) for the year ended September 30, 2021. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (“*Uniform Guidance*”). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, the schedule is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County. The County’s reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the County’s basic financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. All federal award and state financial assistance programs received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal award and state financial assistance programs passed through other government agencies, are included in the schedule.

The Schedule is presented in accordance with Uniform Guidance using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the County’s Basic Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

NOTE 2 – INDIRECT COST RATE

The County has elected to not use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate as covered in 2 CFR 200.414 (f) Indirect Costs.

NOTE 3 – CONTINGENCIES

Grant monies received by the County are for specific purposes and are subject to review by the grantor agencies. Such audits may result in requests for reimbursement due to disallowed expenditures. Based upon prior experience, the County does not believe that such disallowances, if any, would have a material effect on the financial position of the County. As of September 30, 2021, there were no material questioned or disallowed costs as a result of grant audits in process or completed of which management was aware. Any adjustments to grant funding are recorded in the year the adjustment occurs.

NOTE 4 – MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM DETERMINATION

Major federal program determination has been completed in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 5 – MAJOR STATE PROJECT DETERMINATION

Major state program determination has been completed in accordance with the Florida Single Audit Act.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST - FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Part I – Summary of Auditor’s Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor’s report issued:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	___ Yes <u>X</u> No
Significant deficiency(ies)?	<u>X</u> Yes ___ None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	___ Yes <u>X</u> No

Federal Awards and State Projects

Internal control over major programs:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	___ Yes <u>X</u> No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	___ Yes <u>X</u> None reported
Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major federal programs and state projects:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	___ Yes <u>X</u> No
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 10.550 for state projects?	___ Yes <u>X</u> No

Identification of major federal programs and state projects:

Major Federal Programs:

	<u>CFDA No.</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION– Highway Planning and Construction Cluster	20.205
Airport Improvement Program	20.106

Major State Projects:

	<u>CSFA No.</u>
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION– Small County Road Assistance Program (SCRAP)	55.016
Small County Outreach Program (SCOP)	55.009
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant	55.001

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST - FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Part I – Summary of Auditor’s Results – (Continued)

Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs:

Federal programs	\$ 750,000
State projects	\$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes No

Part II – Financial Statement Findings

Significant Deficiency

Finding: 2021-001-HC – Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance. We consider this a repeat finding from the previous fiscal year finding 2020-001-HC.

Criteria: Policies and procedures should reasonably assure that Federal award and State financial assistance expenditures and nonfinancial information be accurately reflected on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

Condition: We noted multiple instances on the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance where the CFDA/CSFA numbers did not match grant documentation.

Cause: The County manages grants at the department level. There is no written or formal policy being followed to ensure that financial and nonfinancial information is being accurately and completely included on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

Effect: Financial and nonfinancial information related to Federal awards and State projects could be incorrectly included or excluded from the schedule and this could affect the dollar threshold and/or grant information that would affect the determination of type A and type B programs.

Recommendation: We recommend the County establish and implement internal controls to ensure financial and nonfinancial information received from departments that is used to prepare the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance is complete and accurate.

We also recommend that County employees responsible for Federal and State grants have adequate training of the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance reporting requirements.

Management’s Response: Management’s response is provided within the corrective action plan on pages I-99 and I-100.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST -
FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS
(CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Part II – Financial Statement Findings – Continued

Management Letter Comment

Finding: 2021-002-HC – Budgetary Control. We consider this a repeat finding from the previous fiscal year finding 2020-002-HC.

Criteria: Pursuant to Chapter 129.07, Florida Statutes, it is unlawful for expenditures to exceed more than the amount budgeted.

Condition: The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners over expended their budgeted expenditures within their general fund for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. This finding is specific to the Board of County Commissioners.

Cause: Management did not obtain amendments to the budget.

Effect: Expenditures exceeded the legally adopted budget.

Recommendation: We recommend the Board of County Commissioners monitor the actual results of operations compared to the budgeted appropriations and make necessary budget amendments as necessary to comply with the budget provisions of Florida Statutes 129.07.

Management’s Response: Management’s response is provided within the corrective action plan on pages I-99 and I-100.

Part III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, as well as any material abuse findings, related to the audit of major federal programs, as required to be reported by 2 CFR 200.516(a).

There were no findings required to be reported by 2 CFR 200.516(a).

Part IV – State Project Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, as well as any material abuse findings, related to the audit of major state projects, as required to be reported by Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General – Local Governmental Entity Audits*.

There were no findings required to be reported by Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General – Local Governmental Entity Audits*.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN – FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Prior Year Audit Findings:

Significant Deficiency

Finding: 2020-001-HC – Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

Status: Not Corrected

Reason for Findings Recurrence: Corrective action for this recommendation is in progress.

Corrective Action Taken to Date: This correction action is ongoing as of June 30, 2022 and as a result, this is the second consecutive year this specific recommendation is reported.

Remaining Corrective Actions: The County is in the process of establishing and implementing internal controls to ensure financial and nonfinancial information received from departments that is used to prepare the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards, and State Financial Assistance is complete and accurate.

The County employees responsible for Federal and State grants are in the process of receiving training of the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance reporting requirements.

Management Letter Comment

Finding: 2020-002-HC – Budgetary Control.

Status: Not Corrected

Reason for Findings Recurrence: The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners over expended their budgeted expenditures within the general fund. This is the second consecutive year this specific finding was reported.

Corrective Action Taken to Date: The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners amended the general fund budget during the fiscal year under audit. However, the actual results of operations were greater than the budgeted appropriations.

Remaining Corrective Actions: The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will monitor the actual results of operations compared to the budgeted appropriations and make necessary budget amendments as necessary to comply with the budget provisions of Florida Statutes 129.07.

Corrective Action Plan:

The County is in the process of formalizing a procedure that would ensure that the County is able to properly report and monitor the preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance and provide for proper oversight over grants required to be reported. See the County's formal response at I-100.



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Corrective Action Plan

June 30, 2022

In response to the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners issues the following response:

Management Response to Finding 2021-001-HC - Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (Significant Deficiency)

The Board of County Commissioners has been informed that errors occurred in the preparation of certain reports provided by a County department to the auditor detailing expenditures included in the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance. The departmental personnel involved were not fully trained in reporting expenditures on the schedules and the auditor relied on the inaccurate and incomplete information provided by the department.

The Board of County Commissioners will undertake the following corrective actions to address this deficiency:

1. Ensure that relevant personnel in departments receiving Federal and/or State grant funding provide training to their personnel in the procedures for reporting expenditures on the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.
2. Require departments receiving Federal and/or State grant funding to make documentation and information available to the County's Grant Director in order to ensure grants are reported complete and accurate.

The Board of County Commissioners anticipates that the correction actions will be completed by September 30, 2022. Steve Clark, Finance Director, is the contact person.

In response to the Management Letter, the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners issues the following response:

Management Response to Finding 2021-002-HC - Budgetary Control (Management Letter Comment)

The County concurs with the recommendation made by the auditor. We will seek to more closely monitor actual results of operations compared to budgeted appropriations and make necessary budget amendments so that the actual expenditures do not exceed the budgeted appropriations.

<i>Stephen W Clark</i>	<i>FINANCE DIRECTOR CLERK OF COURT</i>	<i>6/30/2022</i>
SIGNED	TITLE	DATE

Emma Byrd
 District I

Darrell Harris
 District 2

Mitchell Wills
 District 3

Ramon Iglesias
 District 4

Karson Turner
 District 5

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Independent Auditor's Management Letter

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida (the "County"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance")*; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; Report of Independent Auditor on Compliance for Each Major Federal Awards Program and State Financial Assistance Project and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General; Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs; and Report of Independent Accountant on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 30, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions for 2020-002-HC-Budgetary Control is ongoing as of June 30, 2022. The current year finding number is 2021-002-HC.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The County discloses this information in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Condition and Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the County has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), *Florida Statutes*, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the County did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), *Florida Statutes*.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the County. It is management's responsibility to monitor the County's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we had one recommendation to improve financial management as detailed in the accompanying schedule of current year findings and reponses at finding 2021-002-HC.

Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.c., Rules of the Auditor General, requires, if appropriate, that we communicate the failure of a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, to provided the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), *Florida Statutes*. In connection with our audit, we did not note any special district component units that failed to provide the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), *Florida Statutes*.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

**Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With Local Government Investment Policies and
E911 Requirements of Sections 365.172 and 365.173, Florida Statutes**

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida:

We have examined Hendry County, Florida's (the "County's") compliance with the local government investment policy requirements of 218.415, Florida Statutes, and E911 requirements of Sections 365.172 and 365.173, Florida Statutes, for the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the County's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the County complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the County complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2021.

The purpose of this report is to comply with the audit requirements of Sections 218.415, 365.172, and 365.173, Florida Statutes, and *Rules of the Auditor General*.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

SECTION II

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Kimberley Barrineau

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Report of Independent Auditor

To the Honorable Kimberley Barrineau,
Clerk of Courts & Comptroller
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Clerk"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Clerk's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Clerk as of September 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Changes in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 8 to the financial statements, in 2021 the Clerk adopted new accounting guidance, GASB No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Emphasis of Matter

Basis of Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Hendry County, Florida that is attributable to the Clerk. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Hendry County, Florida as of September 30, 2021, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 16 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Clerk's basic financial statements. The combining financial statements listed in the Other Financial Information section of the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Other Information, continued

The combining financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report on our consideration of the Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 28, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
 September 30, 2021

	General Fund	Documentary Stamps & Intangible Tax	Modernization Trust Fund	Total
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 435,653	\$ -	\$ 188,916	\$ 624,569
Accounts Receivable, net	3,622	-	-	3,622
Due from Other Governments	242,119	-	-	242,119
Prepaid Expenses	19,856	-	16,492	36,348
Total Assets	\$ 701,250	\$ -	\$ 205,408	\$ 906,658
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 12,518	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,518
Accrued liabilities	49,994	-	-	49,994
Due to BOCC	355,759	-	-	355,759
Due to Other Governments	282,979	-	-	282,979
Total Liabilities	701,250	-	-	701,250
 Fund Balance				
Restricted	-	-	205,408	205,408
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 701,250	\$ -	\$ 205,408	\$ 906,658

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
 Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
 For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	General Fund	Documentary Stamps & Intangible Tax	Modernization Trust Fund	Total
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 104,997	\$ -	\$ 107,443	\$ 212,440
Charges for Services	1,179,133	4,766,817	-	5,945,950
Miscellaneous	230,429	-	-	230,429
Total Revenues	<u>1,514,559</u>	<u>4,766,817</u>	<u>107,443</u>	<u>6,388,819</u>
Expenditures				
General Government	1,263,745	4,766,817	78,719	6,109,281
Court Related	1,253,988	-	-	1,253,988
Total Expenditures	<u>2,517,733</u>	<u>4,766,817</u>	<u>78,719</u>	<u>7,363,269</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(1,003,174)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,724</u>	<u>(974,450)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers in	1,358,933	-	-	1,358,933
Operating transfers out	<u>(355,759)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(355,759)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>1,003,174</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,003,174</u>
Excess of revenues and other sources sources over (under) expenditures and other sources	-	-	28,724	28,724
Fund Balance - October 1, 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>176,684</u>	<u>176,684</u>
Fund Balance - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 205,408</u>	<u>\$ 205,408</u>

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
 September 30, 2021

	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,158,377
Total assets	<u>3,158,377</u>
LIABILITIES	
Due to other governments	<u>2,425,324</u>
Total liabilities	<u>2,425,324</u>
NET POSITION	
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	<u>733,053</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 733,053</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
 For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021

	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
Additions	
Fees/fines collected for other governments	\$ 8,234,454
Deposits and other trust activities	<u>1,952,241</u>
Total Additions	10,186,695
Deductions	
Fees/fines disbursed for other governments	8,243,861
Deposits and other trust activities disbursed	<u>1,991,219</u>
Total Deductions	<u>10,235,080</u>
Change in net position	(48,385)
Beginning net position - as restated	<u>781,438</u>
Ending net position	<u><u>\$ 733,053</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Clerk, as an elected constitutional officer was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1 (d). As such, the Clerk's special purpose financial statements are included in the government wide financial statements of Hendry County, the primary government. A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Based on the criteria established by Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Number 14, "Financial Reporting Entity," there are no component units included in the Clerk's financial statements.

(a) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Clerk are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds, based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Clerk, which are not properly accounted for in another fund. All operating revenues, which are not specifically restricted or designated as to use, are recorded in the General Fund. Excess revenues at the end of the year, due back to the Board of County Commissioners and the State of Florida, are shown as operating transfers out.

Special Revenue Funds

The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The Public Records Modernization Trust fund is used to account revenues generated from the additional service charge on most recorded instruments as defined in Sections 28.24 (12)(d) and 28.24 (12)(e)1, F.S. The funds shall be used exclusively to fund court-related technology needs of the Clerk as defined in Section 29.008(1)(f)2 and (h), F.S. The excess of such revenues over expenditures for the fiscal year are retained by the Clerk in the fund.

The Documentary Stamp and Intangible Tax Fund—is a special revenue fund used to account for the functions of the Clerk to perform and charge for the service of collecting and remitting taxes to the State of Florida. The documentary stamp tax is an excise tax imposed on obligations to pay money pursuant to Florida Statutes 201.08. The intangible tax is a tax on intangible personal property levied on obligations for payment of money which are secured by a mortgage or other liens upon real property located in the State of Florida pursuant to Florida Statutes 199.133.

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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

As a result of the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 84 (described further below), activity previously reported in the Clerk's Operating Trust Agency Fund is now reported in both Special Revenue Funds, as well as Fiduciary Funds. The Modernization Trust Fund and the Documentary Stamp and Intangible Tax Fund include Special Trust activity that the Clerk considers to be the government's own source revenue.

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial Funds

Funds are used to account for assets received and held by the Clerk on behalf of outside parties, including other governments. Custodial funds are used to report resources held by the reporting governments in a purely custodial capacity. Custodial funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment and remittance of custodial resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments. The Clerk reports activity for four Custodial funds: Registry, Operating Trust, Fine and Forfeiture and Christmas Club.

(b) Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Governmental Funds

The General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are accounted for on a "spending" or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Accordingly, the reported undesignated fund balances (net current assets) are considered a measure of available, spendable or appropriable resources. General operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Fiduciary Funds

Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by all funds. The modification in such method from the accrual basis is that revenues are recorded when they become measurable and available to finance operations of the current year.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include:

1. Principal and interest on general long-term debt, which is recognized when due; and
2. Expenditures are not divided between years by the recording of prepaid expenses.

Budgetary Process

Chapter 218, Florida Statutes, governs the preparation, adoption and administration process of the Clerk's annual budget. The Clerk's budget, however, is prepared in two parts. One portion relates to the State court system, including Recording, and is required to be filed with the State Court Administrator. The remaining portion relates to the requirements of the Clerk as ex officio to the Board, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, County Auditor and custodian, or treasurer, of all County funds. The budget for this portion is submitted to and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. However, the budget in total is required to be filed with the State Court Administrator.

The annual budget serves as the legal authorization for expenditures. Expenditures cannot legally exceed the total amount budgeted for each fund. All budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis. The level of control for appropriations is exercised at the functional level.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Clerk.

(c) Assets, Liabilities and Equity

Capital Assets

Acquisitions of tangible personal property are recorded as expenditures in the General Fund at the time of purchase. These assets are reported to the Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners and are recorded in the government wide financial statements.

Compensated Absences

The Clerk's employees accumulate sick and annual leave based on the number of years of continuous service and other criteria. Upon termination of employment, employees generally receive payment for accumulated annual and sick leave.

As of September 30, 2021, the Clerk had \$131,066 in long-term compensated absences payable. This amount is reported in the government-wide financial statements of Hendry County, Florida.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", requires the compensated absences liability to be measured using the salary rate in effect at the balance sheet date and requires additional amounts to be accrued for certain salary related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences. The liability shown in the financial statements of Hendry County has been accrued in accordance with this criteria.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management of the Clerk to make estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fund Balances

Spendable fund balances are classified based on a hierarchy of the Clerk's ability to control the spending of these fund balances.

Restricted fund balances are fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. As of September 30, 2021, the Clerk had \$205,408 in restricted fund balance in the Modernization Trust Fund.

The excess of such revenues over expenditures for the fiscal year are retained by the Clerk in the fund to fund court-related technology needs of the Clerk, as defined in Section 29.008(1)(f)2 and (h), F.S.

Committed fund balances are fund balances constrained for specific purposes imposed by the Clerk's formal action of highest level of decision making authority. As of September 30, 2021, the Clerk had no committed fund balances.

Assigned fund balances are fund balances are constrained by the Clerk's intent to be used for specific purposes, but which are neither restricted nor committed. As of September 30, 2021, the Clerk had no assigned fund balances.

Unassigned fund balances represent the residual positive fund balance within the General Fund, which has not been assigned to other funds and has not been restricted, committed or assigned. In funds other than the General Fund, unassigned fund balances are limited to negative residual balances. As of September 30, 2021, the Clerk had no unassigned fund balances because all excess revenues within the general fund are required to be remitted to the Board.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS

During the fiscal year, the Clerk maintained deposits in interest-bearing savings and checking accounts. At September 30, 2021, the bank balance of all accounts was \$3,981,342 and the book balance of deposits was \$3,782,391.

The Clerk had \$535 of cash on hand at September 30, 2021.

The deposits whose values exceeded the limits of federal depository insurance are entirely insured or collateralized pursuant to the Public Depository Security Act of the State of Florida, Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes.

The Clerk held no investments during the fiscal year.

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

The Clerk of the Circuit Court's employees participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 12I and 112, Florida Statutes, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan ("Pension Plan") and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy ("HIS Plan"). Under Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan ("Investment Plan") alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration.

As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments (where applicable), and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida Legislature.

Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service, or 30 years of service regardless of age, are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service. Vested regular class members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly also equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation for each year of credited service based on the five highest years of salary, with a 5% reduction for each year under age 62. Substantial changes were made to the Pension Plan during fiscal year 2011, affecting new members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, by extending the vesting requirement to eight years of credited service and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age. Also, the final average compensation for these members is based on the eight highest years of salary.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Funding Policy

All enrolled members of the FRS Pension Plan are required to contribute 3.0% of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on statewide contribution rates. The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; rehired regular service 5.10% and 5.85%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Clerk of the Circuit Court contributed to the plan an amount equal to 13.12% of covered payroll.

The HIS Plan provides a monthly benefit to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly health insurance subsidy payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service, with a minimum payment of \$30 and a maximum payment of \$150 per month.

The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employees as set forth by Florida Legislature, based on a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members.

For those members who elect participation in the Investment Plan, rather than the Pension Plan, vesting occurs at one year of service. These participants receive a contribution for self-direction in an investment product with a third party administrator selected by the State Board of Administration. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution 0.06 percent of payroll by forfeited benefits of plan members.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court recognizes pension expenditures in an amount equal to amounts paid to the Pension Plan, the HIS Plan and the defined contribution plan, amounting to \$145,579, \$22,786, and \$22,455 respectively, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Clerk of the Circuit Court's payments after June 30, 2021, the measurement date used to determine the net pension liability associated with the Pension Plan and HIS Plan, amounted to \$40,191, and \$6,084, respectively. The Clerk of the Circuit Court is not legally required to and does not accumulate expendable available resources to liquidate the retirement obligation related to its employees. Accordingly, the net pension liability and associated deferred outflows and deferred inflows are presented on the government-wide financial statements of the County, following requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68, effective October 1, 2014*.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site www.ams.mvflorida.com/retirement.

NOTE 4 - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

The following changes in general long-term debt occurred during the year ended September 30, 2021:

Long-term debt payable at October 1, 2020	\$ 133,558
Increase (decrease) in accrued compensated	<u>(2,492)</u>
Long-term debt payable at September 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 131,066</u></u>

General long-term debt is comprised of the noncurrent portion of compensated absences. Employees of the Clerk are entitled to paid annual leave, based on length of service and job classification.

NOTE 5 - INSURANCE

The Clerk participates in the County-wide insurance program. The Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners is a member of Public Risk Management (PRM), a local government liability risk pool.

PRM administers insurance activities relating to property, general, automobile, public official's liability, worker's compensation, health, and auto physical damage. The pool assesses each member its pro-rata share of the estimated amount required to meet current year losses, operating expenses and reinsurance costs (premiums).

To reduce its exposure to large losses on all types of insured events PRM uses reinsurance policies purchased from third-party carriers. The fund is fully funded annually. The premiums for this coverage are paid by the various Constitutional Officers and Board of County Commissioners on a per employee coverage basis.

Charges to operating departments are based upon amounts believed by management to meet the required annual payout during the fiscal year and to pay for the estimated operating costs of the program and for premiums for third party carrier insurance plans. For fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Clerk was charged \$438,809.

NOTE 6 - CONTINGENCIES

The Clerk is involved from time to time in certain routine litigation, the substance of which as other liabilities for recoveries, would not materially affect the financial position of the Clerk.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 7 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Clerk provides postemployment health care benefits in accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, to all employees who retire from the Clerk. The Clerk is required to provide health care coverage at cost to all retirees but does not pay any portion of the premium of the retiree to participate in the Clerk's group health care plan. The liability and expense for other postemployment benefits, calculated in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, are reported in the financial statements of the County.

NOTE 8 -NEW GASB PRONANCEMENT

Effective October 1, 2020, the Clerk adopted GASB Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities (the Statement). This Statement addresses accounting and reporting for fiduciary funds; changes standards for recognizing liabilities, revenues and expenses in fiduciary funds; and changes the classification of fiduciary funds based on criteria established in the Statement. Furthermore, the Statement also establishes reporting for the statement of changes in fiduciary net position, which is included in addition to the statement of fiduciary net position in the financial statements.

As of September 30, 2020, the Clerk had three agency funds. After implementing the Statement, the Special Trust Agency Fund activity is now reported separately as one custodial fund, one special revenue fund, and partially combined with the Public Records Trust Fund. See basis of presentation note above for more information on this fund.

GASB Statement No. 84 requires that changes adopted to conform to the provisions of the Statement be applied retroactively. The Clerk has restated the beginning net positions as necessary in the statement of fiduciary net position as a result of implementation:

Agency funds net position, as of October 1, 2020	\$ -
Restatement due to implementation of GASB Statement No. 84	<u>781,438</u>
Custodial funds net postion, as restated, as of October 1, 2020	<u><u>\$ 781,438</u></u>

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
GENERAL FUND

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104,997	\$ 104,997
Charges for Services	1,255,426	1,255,426	1,179,133	(76,293)
Miscellaneous	-	-	230,429	230,429
Total Revenues	1,255,426	1,255,426	1,514,559	259,133
Expenditures				
General Government				
Personal Services	1,097,934	1,097,934	1,089,629	8,305
Operating Expenses	261,000	261,000	174,116	86,884
Court Related				
Personal Services	1,152,071	1,152,071	1,213,035	(60,964)
Operating Expenses	103,354	103,354	40,953	62,401
Total Expenditures	2,614,359	2,614,359	2,517,733	96,626
Excess of expenditures over revenues	(1,358,933)	(1,358,933)	(1,003,174)	355,759
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers in	1,358,933	1,358,933	1,358,933	-
Operating transfers out	-	-	(355,759)	(355,759)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,358,933	1,358,933	1,003,174	(355,759)
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance - October 1, 2020	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance - September 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
NOTE TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgets are legally adopted for the general fund and are on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Budgetary control is exercised at the fund level; net expenditures cannot exceed the budgeted appropriation from the Board of County Commissioners (the Board) or the State of Florida, as amended. Budgetary changes within each fund can be made at the discretion of the Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts. Amendments to increase appropriations must be submitted to the Board or to the State of Florida.

The general fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. The Modernization Trust Fund and Documentary Stamp Intangible Tax Fund expenditures are restricted by statute; therefore, these budgets are not approved by the Board or by the State of Florida and are not included as required supplementary information.

**OTHER FINANCIAL
INFORMATION**

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
 September 30, 2021

	<u>Registry of Court</u>	<u>Special Trust</u>	<u>Fine & Forfeiture</u>	<u>Christmas Club</u>	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
Assets					
Cash	\$283,204	\$2,144,554	\$718,778	\$11,841	\$3,158,377
Total Assets	<u>283,204</u>	<u>2,144,554</u>	<u>718,778</u>	<u>11,841</u>	<u>3,158,377</u>
Liabilities and Net Position					
Due to other governments	-	1,706,546	718,778	-	2,425,324
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,706,546</u>	<u>718,778</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,425,324</u>
Net Position					
Held for individuals and organizations	283,204	438,008	-	11,841	733,053
Total Net Position	<u>\$283,204</u>	<u>\$ 438,008</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$11,841</u>	<u>\$ 733,053</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
 For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021

	<u>Registry of Court</u>	<u>Special Trust</u>	<u>Fine & Forfeiture</u>	<u>Christmas Club</u>	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
Additions					
Fees/fines collected for other governments	\$ -	\$5,890,166	\$2,344,288	\$ -	\$8,234,454
Deposits and other trust activities	<u>1,938,959</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,282</u>	<u>1,952,241</u>
Total Additions	1,938,959	5,890,166	2,344,288	13,282	10,186,695
Deductions					
Fees/fines disbursed for other governments	-	5,899,573	2,344,288	-	8,243,861
Deposits and other trust activities disbursed	<u>1,976,112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,107</u>	<u>1,991,219</u>
Total Deductions	<u>1,976,112</u>	<u>5,899,573</u>	<u>2,344,288</u>	<u>15,107</u>	<u>10,235,080</u>
Change in net position	(37,153)	(9,407)	-	(1,825)	(48,385)
Beginning net position - as restated	<u>320,357</u>	<u>447,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,666</u>	<u>781,438</u>
Ending net position	<u>\$ 283,204</u>	<u>\$ 438,008</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,841</u>	<u>\$ 733,053</u>

**Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed
in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Kimberley Barrineau,
Clerk of Courts & Comptroller
Hendry County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court, (the "Clerk") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2022, for the purpose of compliance with Section 218.39(2), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General-Local Governmental Entity Audits.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Clerk's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clerk's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clerk's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Clerk's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 28, 2022

Independent Auditor's Management Letter

To the Honorable Kimberley Barrineau,
Clerk of Courts & Comptroller
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Clerk"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Report of Independent Accountant on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 28, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County Clerk of the Circuit Court, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 28, 2022

**Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With
Local Government Investment Policies, Article V Requirements and Depository
Requirements of Sections 218.415, 28.35, 28.36 and 61.181, *Florida Statutes***

To the Honorable Kimberley Barrineau,
Clerk of Courts & Comptroller
Hendry County, Florida

We have examined the Hendry County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts' (the "Clerk's") compliance with the local government investment policy requirements of 218.415, Florida Statutes, Article V requirements of Sections 28.35 and 28.36, Florida Statutes, and requirements of Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, during the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Clerk's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Clerk's compliance based on our examination with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Clerk complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Clerk complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risk of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Clerk's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Clerk complied, in all material respects, with the local investment policy requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Article V requirements of Section 28.35 and 28.36, Florida Statutes, and requirements of Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, during the year ended September 30, 2021.

The purpose of this report is to comply with audit requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Article V requirements of Sections 28.35 and 28.36, Florida Statutes, requirements of Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, and Rules of the Auditor General.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 28, 2022

SECTION III

PROPERTY APPRAISER

Dena R. Pittman, CFA

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Report of Independent Auditor

To the Honorable Dena R. Pittman,
Property Appraiser
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Property Appraiser (the "Property Appraiser"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Property Appraiser's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Property Appraiser as of September 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

Basis of Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each fund of Hendry County, Florida that is attributable to the Property Appraiser. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Hendry County, Florida as of September 30, 2021, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 12 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2022, on our consideration of the Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters under the heading REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 272,529	\$ 195,665	\$ 468,194
Accounts Receivable	<u>22,049</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,049</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 294,578</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 195,665</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 490,243</u></u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Due to Board of County Commissioners	\$ 226,809	\$ -	\$ 226,809
Accounts Payable	37,191	-	37,191
Accrued Liabilities	<u>30,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,578</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>294,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>294,578</u>
Fund Equity			
Fund Balance			
Assigned	<u>-</u>	<u>195,665</u>	<u>195,665</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u><u>\$ 294,578</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 195,665</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 490,243</u></u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues			
Charges for Services	\$ 1,437,317	\$ 122,276	\$ 1,559,593
Intergovernmental Revenue	22,049	-	22,049
Miscellaneous	751	565	1,316
Total Revenues	<u>1,460,117</u>	<u>122,841</u>	<u>1,582,958</u>
Expenditures			
General Government			
Personal Services	1,047,130	74,700	1,121,830
Operating Expenditures	186,178	37,800	223,978
Total Expenditures	<u>1,233,308</u>	<u>112,500</u>	<u>1,345,808</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>226,809</u>	<u>10,341</u>	<u>237,150</u>
Other financing (uses) sources			
Operating transfers out	(226,809)	-	(226,809)
Total other financing (uses) sources	<u>(226,809)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	10,341	10,341
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>185,324</u>	<u>185,324</u>
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 195,665</u>	<u>\$ 195,665</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Property Appraiser is an elected Constitutional Officer of Hendry County (County), a political subdivision of the State of Florida. The position of Property Appraiser was established by Article VIII, Section 1 (d) of the State of Florida Constitution.

Under Chapter 192, Florida Statutes, the Property Appraiser is charged with determining the just value of real and tangible personal property located within the County. The Property Appraiser functions as a Constitutional County Officer subject to the general oversight of the Florida Department of Revenue. The office receives compensation from several taxing authorities in the County, based on the budget approved by the Department of Revenue, as provided in Section 192.091, Florida Statutes.

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Property Appraiser and its component units. Component units are entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Financial accountability is determined on the basis of the Property Appraiser's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, and participate in fiscal management. Based on application of the criteria set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, management has determined that no component units exist which would require inclusion in these financial statements.

(a) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Property Appraiser are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for using a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equities, revenues, and expenditures. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The Property Appraiser utilizes the following governmental funds:

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Property Appraiser. All general operating revenues which are not restricted or designated as to use by outside sources are recorded in the General Fund.

Special Revenue Fund

The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

(b) Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

(b) Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by the General Fund and the Special Revenue Fund. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service and other long-term obligations which are recognized when paid.

Budgetary Requirements

Expenditures of the General Fund are controlled by appropriations in accordance with the budgetary requirements set forth in the Florida Statutes. The budgeted revenues and expenditures in the accompanying financial statements reflect all amendments approved by the State of Florida Department of Revenue.

The General Fund budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

The Property Appraiser follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. On or before June 1 of each year the Property Appraiser shall, concurrently submit an annual budget to the Florida Department of Revenue and to the Board of County Commissioners. Budgetary control is established at the functional level.
2. On or before August 15 the Department shall make its final budget amendments or changes to the budget and shall provide notice thereof to the Property Appraiser and the Board of County Commissioners.
3. The budget for the General Fund is adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted governmental accounting principles.

A budget was not adopted for the Special Revenue Fund, as it is not required.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Property Appraiser.

(c) Assets, Liabilities, and Equity

Compensated Absences

The Property Appraiser's employees accumulate sick and annual leave based on the number of years of continuous service and other criteria. Upon termination of employment, employees generally receive payment for accumulated leave.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

(c) Assets, Liabilities, and Equity (Continued)

The liability shown in the County's financial statement has been accrued in accordance with this criteria. At September 30, 2021, the Property Appraiser had \$73,161 in long-term compensated absences payable.

"Statement of Government Accounting Standards Board Number 16, Accounting for Compensated Absences", requires the compensated absences liability to be measured using the salary rate in effect at the balance sheet date and requires additional amounts to be accrued for certain salary related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences. The liability shown in the County's basic financial statements has been accrued in accordance with this criteria.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management of the Property Appraiser to make estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fund Balances

Assigned: Assigned fund balances are constrained by the Property Appraiser's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned: Fund balance that has not been reported in any other classification.

When both assigned and unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Property Appraiser's policy to use assigned resources first, then unassigned resources as needed.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

During the fiscal year, cash consisted of an interest-bearing bank account. The funds in the bank account were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by a collateral pool pledged to the State Treasurer by financial institutions which comply with the requirements of Florida statutes and have been designated as qualified public depositories by the State Treasurer.

At September 30, 2021, the book balance of deposits was \$468,194 for the Property Appraiser and the bank balance was \$496,729.

Florida Statutes authorize the Property Appraiser to invest in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund administered by the State Treasurer; negotiable direct obligations of or obligations unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government; interest bearing time deposits or savings accounts in financial institutions located in Florida and organized under Federal or Florida laws.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROPERTY APPRAISER
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - AMOUNTS DUE TO FUNDING ENTITIES AND EXCESS FUNDS

Substantial funding for the operations of the Property Appraiser is provided by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners. The amount of such funding is estimated in the budgeting process and by Statute, any excess of revenues over expenditures which would otherwise exist is returned to the appropriate funding entity and is, therefore, reflected as a liability and an operating transfer out in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 4 - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in General Long-Term Debt

Changes in the general long-term debt of the Property Appraiser for the year ended September 30, 2021, are summarized below:

	<u>Compensated Absences</u>
General long-term debt at 10/1/2020	\$ 71,007
Increase in accrued compensated absences	<u>2,154</u>
General long-term debt at 9/30/2021	<u><u>\$ 73,161</u></u>

NOTE 5 - GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

Tangible personal property used by the Property Appraiser in his operations is shown in the statement of net position of the Board of County Commissioners. In addition, office space used in the Property Appraiser's operations is provided at no cost by the Board of County Commissioners.

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

The Property Appraiser's employees participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 121 and 112, Florida Statutes, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan ("Pension Plan") and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy ("HIS Plan"). Under Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan ("Investment Plan") alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration.

As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments (where applicable), and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida Legislature.

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PROPERTY APPRAISER
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Plan Description - (Continued)

Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service, or 30 years of service regardless of age, are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service. Vested regular class members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly also equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation for each year of credited service based on the five highest years of salary, with a 5% reduction for each year under age 62. Substantial changes were made to the Pension Plan during fiscal year 2011, affecting new members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, by extending the vesting requirement to eight years of credited service and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age. Also, the final average compensation for these members is based on the eight highest years of salary.

Funding Policy

All enrolled members of the FRS Pension Plan are required to contribute 3.0% of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on statewide contribution rates. The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10.00% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Property Appraiser contributed to the plan an amount equal to 18.99% of covered payroll.

The HIS Plan provides a monthly benefit to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly health insurance subsidy payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service, with a minimum payment of \$30 and a maximum payment of \$150 per month. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employees as set forth by Florida Legislature, based on a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members.

For those members who elect participation in the Investment Plan, rather than the Pension Plan, vesting occurs at one year of service. These participants receive a contribution for self-direction in an investment product with a third party administrator selected by the State Board of Administration. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan.

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PROPERTY APPRAISER
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Funding Policy - (Continued)

Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll from by forfeited benefits of plan members.

The Property Appraiser recognizes pension expenditures in an amount equal to amounts paid to the Pension Plan, the HIS Plan and the defined contribution plan, amounting to \$45,720, \$11,207 and \$71,299, respectively, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Property Appraiser's payments after June 30, 2021, the measurement date used to determine the net pension liability associated with the Pension Plan and HIS Plan, amounted to \$11,901, and \$2,730, respectively. The Property Appraiser is not legally required to and does not accumulate expendable available resources to liquidate the retirement obligation related to its employees. Accordingly, the net pension liability and associated deferred outflows and deferred inflows are presented on the government-wide financial statements of the County, following requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date* - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68, effective October 1, 2014.

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site www.ams.mvflorida.com/retirement.

NOTE 7 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Property Appraiser provides postemployment health care benefits in accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, to all employees who retire from the Property Appraiser. The Property Appraiser is required to provide health care coverage at cost to all retirees but does not pay any portion of the premium of the retiree to participate in the Property Appraiser's group health care plan. The liability and expense for other postemployment benefits, calculated in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, are reported in the financial statements of the County.

NOTE 8 - CONTINGENCIES

The Property Appraiser is involved from time to time in certain routine litigation, the substance of which as either liabilities or recoveries, would not materially affect the financial position of the Property Appraiser.

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PROPERTY APPRAISER
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Property Appraiser participates in the County-wide insurance program. The Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners is a member of Public Risk Management (PRM), a local government liability risk pool.

PRM administers insurance activities relating to property, general, automobile, public official's liability, worker's compensation, health, and auto physical damage. The pool assesses each member its pro-rata share of the estimated amount required to meet current year losses, operating expenses and reinsurance costs (premiums).

To reduce its exposure to large losses on all types of insured events PRM uses reinsurance policies purchased from third-party carriers. The fund is fully funded annually. The premiums for this coverage are paid by the various Constitutional Officers and Board of County Commissioners on a per employee coverage basis.

Charges to operating departments are based upon amounts believed by management to meet the required annual payout during the fiscal year and to pay for the estimated operating costs of the program and for premiums for third party carrier insurance plans. For fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Property Appraiser was charged \$187,356.

NOTE 10 - LEASE COMMITMENT

On October 8, 2018, the Property Appraiser entered into an agreement with Pictometry International Corporation for the purchase, installation and training of the new appraising software. The agreement has two projects. The first project of \$105,962 was completed and paid as of February 2021. The remaining contract payments are as follows:

Project 2 - Aerial Imaging			
Initial payment upon execution of signed agreement	PAID	FY 2021	\$ 37,191
First payment		FY 2022	37,191
Second payment		FY 2023	37,191
		Total Project 2	<u>111,573</u>
		Less: payments made	<u>(37,191)</u>
Total Commitment to Pictometry International Corporation			<u><u>\$ 74,382</u></u>

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROPERTY APPRAISER
 GENERAL FUND
 Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-
 Budget and Actual
 For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,406,048	\$ 1,437,317	\$ 1,437,317	\$ -
Grant Revenue	-	-	22,049	22,049
Miscellaneous	-	-	751	751
Total Revenues	<u>1,406,048</u>	<u>1,437,317</u>	<u>1,460,117</u>	<u>22,800</u>
Expenditures				
General Government				
Personal Services	1,175,182	1,206,451	1,047,130	159,321
Operating Expenditures	200,866	200,866	186,178	14,688
Non-Operating	30,000	30,000	-	30,000
Total Expenditures	<u>1,406,048</u>	<u>1,437,317</u>	<u>1,233,308</u>	<u>204,009</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>226,809</u>	<u>226,809</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers out	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>	<u>(226,809)</u>
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances - October 1, 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORTS**

**Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Dena R. Pittman,
Property Appraiser
Hendry County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Property Appraiser, (the "Property Appraiser") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Property Appraiser's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Property Appraiser's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Property Appraiser's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Property Appraiser's management, the Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners, and the Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

Independent Auditor's Management Letter

To the Honorable Dena R. Pittman,
Property Appraiser
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida, Property Appraiser, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 30, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County, Florida, Property Appraiser, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With Local Government Investment Policies

To the Honorable Dena R. Pittman,
Property Appraiser
Hendry County, Florida

We have examined the Hendry County, Florida, Property Appraiser's (the "Property Appraiser") compliance Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds during the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Property Appraiser's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Property Appraiser's compliance.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Property Appraiser complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Property Appraiser complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Property Appraiser's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Property Appraiser complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2021.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Property Appraiser, the Auditor General, and the State of Florida, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

SECTION IV

SHERIFF

Steve Whidden

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Report of Independent Auditor

To the Honorable Steve Whidden,
Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Sheriff, (the "Sheriff") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sheriff as of September 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, in 2021 the Sheriff adopted new accounting guidance, GASB No. 84, Fiduciary Activities. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Emphasis of Matter

Basis of Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each fund of Hendry County, Florida that is attributable to the Sheriff. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Hendry County, Florida as of September 30, 2021, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Sheriff's special-purpose financial statements. The combining financial statements listed in the Other Financial Information section of the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

Other Matters (Continued)

Other Financial Information (Continued)

The combining financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report on our consideration of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>General</u>	<u>Commissary</u>	<u>Non-Major Governmental</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 1,113,397	\$ 863,806	\$ 64,135	\$ 2,041,338
Accounts Receivable	-	28,495	-	28,495
Due from other Governments	<u>503,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>503,127</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,616,524</u>	<u>\$ 892,301</u>	<u>\$ 64,135</u>	<u>\$ 2,572,960</u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 787,933	\$ 26,906	\$ -	\$ 814,839
Accrued Liabilities	590,981	-	-	590,981
Unearned Revenue	65,117	-	-	65,117
Due to Board of County Commissioners	<u>172,493</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>172,493</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,616,524</u>	<u>26,906</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,643,430</u>
 Fund Equity				
Fund Balance				
Restricted	-	865,395	-	865,395
Assigned	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,135</u>	<u>64,135</u>
Total Fund Equity	<u>-</u>	<u>865,395</u>	<u>64,135</u>	<u>929,530</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 1,616,524</u>	<u>\$ 892,301</u>	<u>\$ 64,135</u>	<u>\$ 2,572,960</u>

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	General Fund	Commissary	Non-Major Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,067,576	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,067,576
Charges for Services	590,435	361,030	17,326	968,791
Fines and Forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Commission	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	315,236	2,673	25	317,934
Total Revenues	1,973,247	363,703	17,351	2,354,301
Expenditures				
Law Enforcement				
Personnel Services	9,003,450	-	-	9,003,450
Operating Expenditures	1,841,527	-	16,725	1,858,252
Capital Outlay	814,611	-	-	814,611
Debt Service				
Principal	309,284	-	-	309,284
Interest	104,590	-	-	104,590
Corrections				
Personnel Services	3,021,271	72,202	-	3,093,473
Operating Expenditures	609,200	44,410	-	653,610
Judicial				
Personnel Services	441,577	-	-	441,577
Operating Expenditures	2,010	-	-	2,010
Total Expenditures	16,147,520	116,612	16,725	16,280,857
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(14,174,273)	247,091	626	(13,926,556)
Other Financing Sources and (Uses)				
Proceeds for financing capital leases	213,938	-	-	213,938
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	15,874	-	-	15,874
Operating Transfers in	14,029,336	-	-	14,029,336
Operating Transfers out	(172,493)	-	-	(172,493)
Total other Financing Sources (Uses)	14,086,655	-	-	14,086,655
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(87,618)	247,091	626	160,099
Fund Balance - October 1, 2020	87,618	618,304	63,509	769,431
Fund Balance - September 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ 865,395	\$ 64,135	\$ 929,530

See accompanying notes.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
September 30, 2021

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 142,413
Accounts Receivable	<u>44,066</u>
Total assets	<u>186,479</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	22,730
Due to Other Governments	80,387
Due to Individuals	<u>12,742</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>115,859</u>

NET POSITION

Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	<u>70,620</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ 70,620</u></u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

ADDITIONS:

Inmate deposits	\$ 746,427
Other collections	139,623
Total Additions	<u>886,050</u>

DEDUCTIONS:

Payments to individuals	778,362
Payments to organizations	13,516
Payments to other governments	84,084
Total Deductions	<u>875,962</u>

Change in Fiduciary Net Position 10,088

Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning, Restated 60,532

Fiduciary Net Position - Ending \$ 70,620

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Sheriff is an elected constitutional officer of Hendry County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida. The position of Sheriff was established by Article VIII, Section 1(d) of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

The duties and responsibilities of the Sheriff are concerned with law enforcement, judicial process and corrections. The operations are financed by appropriations made by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to the approved budget.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Sheriff and its component units. Component units are entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Financial accountability is determined on the basis of the Sheriff's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority and participate in fiscal management.

Based on the application of the criteria set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, management has determined that no component units exist which would require inclusion in these financial statements.

(a) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Sheriff are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, as appropriate. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The Sheriff utilizes the following funds:

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Sheriff which are not properly accounted for in another fund. All operating revenues, which are not specifically restricted or designated as to use, are recorded in the General Fund. Excess revenues at the end of the year, due back to the Board of County Commissioners, are shown as operating transfers out.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are operating funds used to account for revenues (other than expendable trusts or capital projects), the use of which is restricted or designated. The Commissary Fund is used to account for the receipts and disbursements relating to the inmates of the Hendry County Jail. This fund is restricted to purchases of items for the benefit of the inmates.

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial Fund

The Custodial Fund is a fiduciary fund used to account for the assets held by the Sheriff as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, or other funds as required by legal or regulatory policies.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

(b) Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Governmental Funds

The General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are accounted for on a "spending" or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Accordingly, the reported undesignated fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of available, spendable or appropriable resources. General operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All custodial funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. All revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current position.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include:

1. Principal and interest on general long-term debt, which is recognized when due; and
2. Expenditures are not divided between years by the recording of prepaid expenses.

Budgetary Process

Chapter 30, of the Florida Statutes, governs the preparation, adoption and administration process of the District's annual budget. A budget is only required to be prepared for the General Fund. The budget and amendments, if any, for the General Fund are required to be submitted to and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis. The level of control for appropriations is exercised at the functional level.

As the Sheriff's Office does not have a legally adopted budget for the Commissary Special Revenue fund, a budgetary comparison for this fund is not presented.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Sheriff.

(c) Assets, Liabilities, and Equity

Capital Assets

Acquisitions of tangible personal property are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. These assets are reported to the Board of County Commissioners and are recorded in the County's basic financial statements.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Compensated Absences

It is the Sheriff's policy to permit employees to accumulate a limited amount of earned, but unused, sick and annual leave, which will be paid upon separation of service. Vacation is accrued as a liability when benefits are earned by the employee. The Sheriff uses the vesting method to accrue sick leave liability. The vesting method accrues sick leave liability for employees who are currently eligible to receive termination payments upon separation as well as those expected to become eligible in the future.

As of September 30, 2021, the Sheriff had long-term compensated absences payable of \$1,314,877. This amount is reported in the government-wide financial statements of Hendry County, Florida.

Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", requires the compensated absences liability to be measured using the salary rate in effect at the balance sheet date and requires additional amounts to be accrued for certain salary related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences. The liability shown in the financial statements of Hendry County has been accrued in accordance with this criteria.

Fund Balances

Spendable fund balances are classified based on a hierarchy of the Sheriff's ability to control the spending of these fund balances.

Restricted fund balances are fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. As of September 30, 2021, the Sheriff had \$865,395 in restricted fund balance in the Commissary Special Revenue. This amount is restricted to purchases of items for the benefit of the inmates at Hendry County Jail.

Committed fund balances are fund balances constrained for specific purposes imposed by the Sheriff's formal action of highest level of decision making authority. As of September 30, 2021, the Sheriff had no committed fund balances.

Assigned fund balances are fund balances intended to be used for specific purposes, but which are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned fund balances represent the residual positive fund balance within the General Fund, which has not been assigned to other funds and has not been restricted, committed or assigned. In funds other than the General Fund, unassigned fund balances are limited to negative residual balances. As of September 30, 2021, the Sheriff had no unassigned fund balance.

When both assigned and unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Sheriff's policy to use assigned resources first, then unassigned resources as needed.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management of the Sheriff to make estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash

At September 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the Sheriff's deposits was \$2,203,242 and the bank balance was \$2,688,302. The Sheriff held petty cash on hand as of September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$131,250. These deposits were entirely covered during the year and at year-end by federal depository insurance or by collateral pursuant to the Public Depository Act of the State of Florida (Florida Statute Chapter 280). All Sheriff depositories are banks designated as qualified depositories by the State Treasurer.

Investments

Florida Statutes authorize the Sheriff to invest in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund administered by the State Treasurer; negotiable direct obligations of or obligations unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government; interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in financial institutions located in Florida and organized under Federal or Florida laws; securities of any open-end or closed-end management type investment company or investment trust registered under the Investment Act of 1940 provided the portfolio is limited to United States Government obligations. The Sheriff did not have any investments during the year or at year end.

NOTE 3 - GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

Changes in general fixed assets are as follows:

	Beginning Balance 10/1/2020	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance 9/30/2021
Capital assets not depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ -	\$ 484,560	\$ -	\$ 484,560
Total capital assets not depreciated:	<u>-</u>	<u>484,560</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>484,560</u>
Capital assets depreciated:				
Equipment	4,675,991	330,051	(161,172)	4,844,870
Total capital assets depreciated:	<u>4,675,991</u>	<u>330,051</u>	<u>(161,172)</u>	<u>4,844,870</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(3,508,875)</u>	<u>(434,560)</u>	<u>161,172</u>	<u>(3,782,263)</u>
Total Equipment being depreciated, net	<u>\$ 1,167,116</u>	<u>\$ 380,051</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,547,167</u>

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NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the State of Florida. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable fund. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The Sheriff, in accordance with the normal conduct of its affairs, is involved in various judgments, claims and litigations. It is expected that the final settlement of these matters will not materially affect the financial statements of the Sheriff.

Operating Leases

In February 2021 and March 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for twenty vehicles in the amount of \$455,255 for a twelve month term. The final payment is due in February 2022 and March 2022. At the end of the term, or sooner if the lessor requests the vehicles back, the Sheriff returns the vehicles and receives a credit for future operating leases based on the gain of the sales price over the RBV. The balance at September 30, 2021 was \$ 419,780

NOTE 5- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liabilities are comprised of the following as of September 30, 2021:

Capital Leases

On September 30, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$53,026, requiring monthly payments of \$1,047 including principal and interest. Final payment due in September 30, 2024. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	34,133
On August 27, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$105,197, requiring monthly payments of \$2,160 including principal and interest. Final payment due in August 2024. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	66,289
On August 27, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$48,538, requiring monthly payments of \$1,001 including principal and interest. Final payment due in August 2024. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	30,586
On September 25, 2019 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$101,326, requiring monthly payments of \$2,035 including principal and interest. Final payment due in September 2024. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	65,223
On November 5, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$43,568, requiring monthly payments of \$859 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	20,803
In November 5, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for three 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$147,524, requiring monthly payments of \$2,905 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	70,398

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NOTE 5- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - (Continued)

Capital Leases, continued

On October 1, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$41,700, requiring monthly payments of \$812 including principal and interest. Final payment due in November 2023. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	18,354
In October 9, 2018 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$49,175, requiring monthly payments of \$968 including principal and interest. Final payment due in October 2023. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	22,624
On March 27, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$44,627, requiring monthly payments of \$980 including principal and interest. Final payment due in March 2025. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	32,817
On February 27, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$51,944, requiring monthly payments of \$1,032 including principal and interest. Final payment due in February 2025. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	37,630
On January 31, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$103,889, requiring monthly payments of \$2,128 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	73,593
On January 21, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$51,944, requiring monthly payments of \$1,027 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	36,669
On January 31, 2020 the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for two 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$103,889, requiring monthly payments of \$2,060 including principal and interest. Final payment due in January 2025. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	73,592
On September 3, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for four 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$142,615, requiring monthly payments of \$722 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	142,615
On September 10, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$35,654, requiring monthly payments of \$724 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	35,655
On September 3, 2021, the Sheriff entered into a leasing agreement for a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$35,669, requiring monthly payments of \$722 including principle and interest starting in October 2021. Final payment due in September 2026. The balance at September 30, 2021 was	35,669

Total Capital Leases

796,650

Compensated Absences

Employees of the Sheriff's Office are entitled to paid sick time, personal and comp time based on length of service and job classification.

1,314,877

TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

\$ 2,111,527

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NOTE 5- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - (Continued)

The annual debt service requirements at September 30, 2021, were as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 233,901	\$ 43,886	\$ 277,787
2023	235,019	43,886	278,905
2024	208,434	35,722	244,156
2025	76,508	13,363	89,871
2026	42,788	9,217	52,005
Total Capital leases	796,650	<u>\$ 146,074</u>	<u>\$ 942,724</u>
Compensated Absences	<u>1,314,877</u>		
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		<u><u>\$ 2,111,527</u></u>	

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended September 30, 2021, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance 10/1/2020	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance 9/30/2021	Due Within One Year
Capital Leases	\$ 856,522	\$ 213,919	\$ (273,791)	\$ 796,650	\$ 233,901
Compensated absences	1,512,980	330,250	(528,353)	1,314,877	96,803
	<u>\$ 2,369,502</u>	<u>\$ 544,169</u>	<u>\$ (802,144)</u>	<u>\$ 2,111,527</u>	<u>\$ 330,704</u>

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

The Sheriff's employees participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 121 and 112, Florida Statutes, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Service, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan ("Pension Plan") and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy ("HIS Plan"). Under Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan ("Investment Plan") alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration.

As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida Legislature.

Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service, or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service.

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NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Plan Description, Continued

Vested regular class members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly also equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation for each year of credited service based on the five highest years of salary, with a 5% reduction for each year under age 62. Substantial changes were made to the Pension Plan during fiscal year 2011, affecting new members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011 by extending the vesting requirement to eight years of credited service and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age. Also, the final average compensation for these members is based on the eight highest years of salary.

Funding Policy

All enrolled members of the FRS Pension Plan are required to contribute 3.0% of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on statewide contribution rates. The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10.00% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; special risk regular 24.45% and 25.89%; special risk administration 35.84% and 37.76%; rehired regular class 5.10% and 5.85%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Sheriff contributed to the plan an amount equal to 21.23% of covered payroll.

The HIS Plan provides a monthly benefit to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly health insurance subsidy payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service, with a minimum payment of \$30 and a maximum payment of \$150 per month. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employees as set forth by Florida Legislature, based on a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members.

For those members who elect participation in the Investment plan, rather than the Pension Plan, vesting occurs at one year of service. These participants receive a contribution for self-direction in an investment product with a third party administrator selected the State Board of Administration. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.) as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved instrument choices. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll by forfeited benefits of plan members.

The Sheriff recognizes pension expenditures in an amount equal to amounts paid to the Pension Plan, the HIS Plan, and the defined contribution plan, amounting to \$1,050,377, \$129,772, and \$474,937, respectively, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Sheriff's payments after June 30, 2021, the measurement date used to determine net pension liability associated with the Pension Plan and the HIS Plan, amounted to \$348,246 and \$31,048, respectively.

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NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Funding Policy - (Continued)

The Sheriff is not legally required to and does not accumulate expendable available resources to liquidate the retirement obligation related to its employees. Accordingly, the net pension liability and associated deferred outflows and deferred inflows are presented on the government-wide financial statements of the County, following requirements of GASB No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions- an amendment of GASB No. 27, and GASB No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date- an amendment of GASB No. 68, effective October 1, 2014.

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site: www.dms.myflorida.com/retirement

NOTE 7 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Sheriff provides postemployment health care benefits in accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, to all employees who retire from the Sheriff. The Sheriff is required to provide health care coverage at cost to all retirees but does not pay any portion of the premium of the retiree to participate in the Sheriff's group health care plan. The liability and expense for other postemployment benefits, calculated in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, are reported in the financial statements of the County.

NOTE 8 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Sheriff is a constitutional county officer whose appropriations are approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The Board has agreed to provide certain operating expenditures for the Sheriff. The Board paid all property and casualty insurance and workers' compensation premiums for the Sheriff.

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Sheriff is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Sheriff is a member of a public entity risk pool which is a cooperative group of governmental entities joining together to finance an exposure, liability, or risk.

The pool provides coverage for, liability, public officials liability automobile physical damage, general liability, and automobile liability. The costs of the property and casualty insurance and workers' compensation are accounted for in the General Fund of the Board of County Commissioners.

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NOTE 10 - RESTATEMENT

A change in accounting principle was made based on the issuance of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities, in which the Sheriff restated beginning fiduciary net position, to comply with the new standard.

Fiduciary Net Position, as Previously Reported	\$ -
Effect of Restatement	<u>60,532</u>
Fiduciary Net Position, Restated	<u><u>\$ 60,532</u></u>

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual - General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 1,067,576	\$ 1,067,576	\$ -
Charges for Services	-	590,435	590,435	-
Miscellaneous	-	315,236	315,236	-
Total Revenues	-	1,973,247	1,973,247	-
Expenditures				
Law Enforcement				
Personnel Services	8,354,506	9,502,121	9,003,450	498,671
Operating Expenditures	1,548,698	2,105,538	1,841,527	264,011
Capital Outlay	12,085	296,751	814,611	(517,860)
Debt Service	85,000	85,000	413,874	(328,874)
Contingency	30,000	30,000	-	30,000
Total Law Enforcement	10,030,289	12,019,410	12,073,462	(54,052)
Corrections				
Personnel Services	2,980,331	2,980,331	3,021,271	(40,940)
Operating Expenditures	586,368	586,368	609,200	(22,832)
Capital Outlay	28,500	28,500	-	28,500
Contingency	20,000	20,000	-	20,000
Total Corrections	3,615,199	3,615,199	3,630,471	(15,272)
Judicial				
Personal Services	379,021	379,021	441,577	(62,556)
Operating Expenditures	4,827	4,827	2,010	2,817
Total Judicial	383,848	383,848	443,587	(59,739)
Total Expenditures	14,029,336	16,018,457	16,147,520	(129,063)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)				
Expenditures	(14,029,336)	(14,045,210)	(14,174,273)	(129,063)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Proceeds for financing capital leases	-	-	213,938	213,938
Proceeds From Sale of Capital Assets	-	15,874	15,874	-
Operating Transfers In	14,029,336	14,029,336	14,029,336	-
Operating Transfers Out	(87,618)	(87,618)	(172,493)	(84,875)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	13,941,718	13,957,592	14,086,655	129,063
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources				
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(87,618)	(87,618)	(87,618)	-
Fund Balance - October 1, 2020	87,618	87,618	87,618	-
Fund Balance - September 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Combining Balance Sheet
Non-Major Governmental Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>Training</u>	<u>Equitable Sharing Program</u>	<u>Gun Range</u>	<u>Total Non-Major Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 17,650	\$ 2,728	\$ 43,757	\$ 64,135
Total assets	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 64,135</u>
FUND EQUITY				
Fund Balances Assigned	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 64,135</u>
Total Fund Equity	<u>\$ 17,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,728</u>	<u>\$ 43,757</u>	<u>\$ 64,135</u>

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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Non-Major Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>Training</u>	<u>Equitable Sharing Program</u>	<u>Gun Range</u>	<u>Total Non-Major Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 5,620	\$ -	\$ 11,706	\$ 17,326
Collections	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	4	1	20	25
Total Revenues	<u>5,624</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>11,726</u>	<u>17,351</u>
Expenditures				
Operating Expenses	<u>38</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,687</u>	<u>16,725</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>38</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,687</u>	<u>16,725</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	5,586	1	(4,961)	626
Fund Balances - October 1, 2020	<u>12,064</u>	<u>2,727</u>	<u>48,718</u>	<u>63,509</u>
Fund Balances - September 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 17,650</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,728</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 43,757</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 64,135</u></u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Fund
September 30, 2021

	<u>Mounted Patrol</u>	<u>Impound Fees</u>	<u>Special Fund</u>	<u>Relief Fund</u>	<u>Employee Fund</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 350	\$ 10,558	\$ 12,056	\$ 1,886	\$ 28,623
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	<u>\$ 350</u>	<u>\$ 10,558</u>	<u>\$ 12,056</u>	<u>\$ 1,886</u>	<u>\$ 28,623</u>
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to Other Governments	-	-	12,056	-	-
Due to Individuals	-	-	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fiduciary Net Position - Held for Others	<u>350</u>	<u>10,558</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,886</u>	<u>28,623</u>
Total Liabilities and Fiduciary Net Position - Held for Others	<u>\$ 350</u>	<u>\$ 10,558</u>	<u>\$ 12,056</u>	<u>\$ 1,886</u>	<u>\$ 28,623</u>

<u>Suspense</u>	<u>Fine and Cost</u>	<u>Inmate Operating Account</u>	<u>D.A.R.E Program</u>	<u>Explorer Program</u>	<u>Auxiliary Fund</u>	<u>Total Fiduciary Fund</u>
\$ 59,081	\$ 50	\$ 656	\$ 11,208	\$ 9,644	\$ 8,301	\$ 142,413
-	-	44,066	-	-	-	44,066
<u>\$ 59,081</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 44,722</u>	<u>\$ 11,208</u>	<u>\$ 9,644</u>	<u>\$ 8,301</u>	<u>\$ 186,479</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,730	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,730
59,081	-	9,250	-	-	-	80,387
-	-	12,742	-	-	-	12,742
<u>59,081</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,722</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>115,859</u>
-	50	-	11,208	9,644	8,301	70,620
<u>\$ 59,081</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 44,722</u>	<u>\$ 11,208</u>	<u>\$ 9,644</u>	<u>\$ 8,301</u>	<u>\$ 186,479</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SHERIFF
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Fund
September 30, 2021

	Mounted Patrol	Impound Fees	Special Fund	Relief Fund	Employee Fund
ADDITIONS					
Evidence Collected	\$ -	\$ 20,583	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inmate Deposits	-	-	-	-	-
Suspense Refund Collected	-	-	-	1	-
Employee Charitable Contributions	-	-	-	-	32,050
Amount Collected for Explorer's	-	-	-	-	-
Amount Collected for D.A.R.E	-	-	-	-	-
Records and Fines	-	-	11,975	-	-
Total Additions	<u>-</u>	<u>20,583</u>	<u>11,975</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>32,050</u>
DEDUCTIONS					
Evidence Payments	-	13,516	-	-	-
Inmate Withdrawals	-	-	-	-	-
Disbursements to Board of County Commissioners	-	-	11,975	-	-
Disbursements to Individuals	-	-	-	-	25,983
Total Deductions	<u>-</u>	<u>13,516</u>	<u>11,975</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,983</u>
Change in Fiduciary Net Position	-	7,067	-	1	6,067
Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning, Restated	<u>350</u>	<u>3,491</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,885</u>	<u>22,556</u>
Fiduciary Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 350</u>	<u>\$ 10,558</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,886</u>	<u>\$ 28,623</u>

<u>Suspense</u>	<u>Fine and Cost</u>	<u>Inmate Operating Account</u>	<u>D.A.R.E Program</u>	<u>Explorer Program</u>	<u>Auxiliary Fund</u>	<u>Total Fiduciary Fund</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,583
-	-	746,427	-	-	-	746,427
72,109	-	-	-	-	3	72,113
-	-	-	-	-	-	32,050
-	-	-	-	2,289	-	2,289
-	-	-	613	-	-	613
-	-	-	-	-	-	11,975
<u>72,109</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>746,427</u>	<u>613</u>	<u>2,289</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>886,050</u>
-	-	-	-	-	-	13,516
-	-	746,427	-	-	-	746,427
72,109	-	-	-	-	-	84,084
-	-	-	5,552	400	-	31,935
<u>72,109</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>746,427</u>	<u>5,552</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>875,962</u>
-	-	-	(4,939)	1,889	3	10,088
-	50	-	16,147	7,755	8,298	60,532
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,208</u>	<u>\$ 9,644</u>	<u>\$ 8,301</u>	<u>\$ 70,620</u>

**SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORTS**

**Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed
in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Steve Whidden,
Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Sheriff, (the "Sheriff") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff's special purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Sheriff's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Sheriff's management, the Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners and the Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

Independent Auditor's Management Letter

To the Honorable Steve Whidden,
Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida, Sheriff, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*.

Other Reports and Schedule

We have issued our Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; and Independent Accountant's Examination Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 30, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address finding (2020-001-HCSO - Financial Reporting) and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County, Florida, Sheriff, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

**Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With
Local Government Investment Policies**

To the Honorable Steve Whidden,
Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida

We have examined the Hendry County, Florida, Sheriff's (the "Sheriff") compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies, for the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Sheriff's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Sheriff's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Sheriff complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Sheriff's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2021.

The purpose of this report is to comply with the audit requirements of Sections 218.415, Florida Statutes and Rules of the Auditor General.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

SECTION V

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Brenda K. Hoots

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Report of Independent Auditor

To the Honorable Brenda K. Hoots,
Supervisor of Elections
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Supervisor of Elections, (the "Supervisor of Elections") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Supervisor's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Supervisor of Elections as of September 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

Basis of Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each fund of Hendry County, Florida that is attributable to the Supervisor of Elections. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Hendry County, Florida as of September 30, 2021, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 11 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report on our consideration of the Supervisor's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Supervisor's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 72,688
Accounts receivable	<u>4,505</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 77,193</u></u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,534
Unearned revenue	220
Other liabilities	<u>75,439</u>
Total liabilities	<u>77,193</u>
Fund equity	
Fund balance	<u>-</u>
Total fund equity	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u><u>\$ 77,193</u></u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>
Revenues	
Intergovernmental	\$ 12,624
Miscellaneous	1,258
Total revenues	13,882
Expenditures	
Governmental expenditures	508,518
Excess of revenues under expenditures	(494,636)
Other financing sources (uses)	
Operating transfers in	570,075
Operating transfers out	(75,439)
Total other financing sources (uses)	494,636
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-
Fund balance - October 1, 2020	-
Fund balance - September 30, 2021	\$ -

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial Reporting Entity

The Supervisor of Elections is an elected Constitutional Officer of Hendry County ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of Florida. The position of Supervisor of Elections was established by Article VIII, Section 1 (d) of the State of Florida Constitution. The general powers and responsibilities of the Supervisor of Elections are specified in Chapters 97 through Florida Statutes. The Supervisor of Elections is charged with the conduct of elections within the County, except certain independent special district elections separately provided for by special acts. The operations are financed by appropriations made by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to the approved budget.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Supervisor of Elections and its component units. Component units are entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Financial accountability is determined on the basis of the Supervisor of Elections' ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, and participate in fiscal management. Based on application of the criteria set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, management has determined that no component units exist which would require inclusion in these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Supervisor of Elections are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for using a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equities, revenues, and expenditures.

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Supervisor of Elections. All general operating revenues which are not restricted or designated as to use by outside sources are recorded in the General Fund.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service, and other long-term obligations which are recognized when paid.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Budgetary Requirements

Expenditures of the General Fund are controlled by appropriations in accordance with the budgetary requirements set forth in the Florida Statutes. The budgeted revenues and expenditures in the accompanying financial statements reflect all amendments approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

1. On or before June 1 of each year the Supervisor of Elections shall submit to the Board of County Commissioners a tentative budget for the ensuing fiscal year. Budgetary control is established at the fund level.
2. Public hearings are held by the Board to obtain taxpayer comments and possible adjustments by the Board.
3. The Board of County Commissioners may amend, modify, increase, or reduce any or all items of expenditures in the proposed budget submitted by the Supervisor of Elections by giving written notices of its actions, after approval of the budget.
4. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally enacted by the Board.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Supervisor of Elections.

Compensated Absences

It is the Supervisor of Election's policy to permit employees to accumulate a limited amount of earned, but unused, vacation and sick leave, which will be paid upon separation of service. Vacation is accrued as a liability when benefits are earned by the employee. The Supervisor of Elections uses the vesting method in accruing sick leave liability. The vesting method accrues sick leave liability for employees who are currently eligible to receive termination payments upon separation, as well as those expected to become eligible in the future. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the amount of accrued compensated absences was \$8,024.

"Statement of Government Accounting Standards Board Number 16, Accounting for Compensated Absences", requires the compensated absences liability to be measured using the salary rate in effect at the balance sheet date and requires additional amounts to be accrued for certain salary related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences. The liability shown in the Board's financial statement has been accrued in accordance with this criteria.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

During the fiscal year, cash consisted of interest-bearing bank accounts. The funds in the bank accounts were entirely covered by Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by a collateral pool pledged to the State Treasurer by financial institutions which comply with the requirements of Florida statutes and have been designated as qualified public depositories by the State Treasurer.

Florida Statutes authorize the Supervisor of Elections to invest in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund administered by the State Treasurer; negotiable direct obligations of or obligations unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government; interest bearing time deposits or savings accounts in financial institutions located in Florida and organized under Federal or Florida laws.

At September, 30 2021, the carrying amount of the Supervisor of Elections' deposits was \$72,688 and the bank balance was \$80,960. These deposits were entirely covered during the year and year-end by federal depository insurance or by collateral pursuant to the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act of the State of Florida (Florida Statutes Chapter 280). The banks used by the Supervisor are banks designated as qualified depositories by the State Treasurer.

NOTE 3 - AMOUNT TO BE REMITTED TO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Funding for the operations of the Supervisor of Elections, accounted for in the General Fund, is provided by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners. The amount of such funding is estimated in the budgeting process and by Statute, any excess of revenues and transfers over expenditures in the General Fund are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Such excess, if any, is reflected as an operating transfer out in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 4 - GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

Tangible personal property used by the Supervisor of Elections is shown in the statement of net position of the Board of County Commissioners. In addition, office space used in the Supervisor of Elections' operations is provided at no cost by the Board of County Commissioners.

NOTE 5 - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Supervisor of Elections' employees participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 121 and 112, Florida Statutes, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Service, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan ("Pension Plan") and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy ("HIS Plan"). Under Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan ("Investment Plan") alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 5 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida Legislature.

Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service, or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service. Vested regular class members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly also equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation for each year of credited service based on the five highest years of salary, with a 5% reduction for each year under age 62. Substantial changes were made to the Pension Plan during fiscal year 2011, affecting new members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011 by extending the vesting requirement to eight years of credited service and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age. Also, the final average compensation for these members is based on the eight highest years of salary.

Funding Policy

All enrolled members of the FRS Pension Plan are required to contribute 3.0% of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on statewide contribution rates. The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10.00% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Supervisor of Elections contributed to the plan an amount equal to 13.66% of covered payroll.

The HIS Plan provides a monthly benefit to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly health insurance subsidy payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service, with a minimum payment of \$30 and a maximum payment of \$150 per month. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employees as set forth by Florida Legislature, based on a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members.

For those members who elect participation in the Investment Plan, rather than the Pension Plan, vesting occurs at one year of service. These participants receive a contribution for self-direction in an investment product with a third party administrator selected by the State Board of Administration. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan.

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SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 5 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll by forfeited benefits of plan members. The Supervisor of Elections does not participate in the Investment Plan.

The Supervisor of Elections recognizes pension expenditures in an amount equal to amounts paid to the Pension Plan and the HIS Plan amounting to \$28,416, and \$3,930, respectively, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Supervisor of Elections' payments after June 30, 2021, the measurement date used to determine the net pension liability associated with the Pension Plan and HIS Plan, amounted to \$6,661 and \$842 respectively. The Supervisor of Elections is not legally required to and does not accumulate expendable available resources to liquidate the retirement obligation related to its employees. Accordingly, the net pension liability and associated deferred outflows and deferred inflows are presented on the government-wide financial statements of the County, following requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date* - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68, effective October 1, 2014.

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site www.ams.mvflorida.com/retirement.

NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Supervisor participates in the County-wide insurance program. The Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners is a member of Public Risk Management (PRM), a local government liability risk pool.

PRM administers insurance activities relating to property, general, automobile, public official's liability, worker's compensation, health, and auto physical damage. The pool assesses each member its pro-rata share of the estimated amount required to meet current year losses, operating expenses and reinsurance costs (premiums).

To reduce its exposure to large losses on all types of insured events PRM uses reinsurance policies purchased from third-party carriers. The fund is fully funded annually. The premiums for this coverage are paid by the various Constitutional Officers and Board of County Commissioners on a per employee coverage basis.

Charges to operating departments are based upon amounts believed by management to meet the required annual payout during the fiscal year and to pay for the estimated operating costs of the program and for premiums for third party carrier insurance plans. For fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Supervisor was charged \$51,862.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
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September 30, 2021

NOTE 7 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Supervisor provides postemployment health care benefits in accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, to all employees who retire from the Supervisor. The Supervisor is required to provide health care coverage at cost to all retirees but does not pay any portion of the premium of the retiree to participate in the Supervisor's group health care plan. The liability and expense for other postemployment benefits, calculated in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, are reported in the financial statements of the County.

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual - General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,624	\$ 12,624
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,258	1,258
Total revenues	-	-	13,882	13,882
Expenditures				
Governmental expenditures	570,075	570,075	508,518	61,557
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(570,075)	(570,075)	(494,636)	75,439
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers in	570,075	570,075	570,075	-
Operating transfers out	-	-	(75,439)	(75,439)
Total other financing sources (uses)	570,075	570,075	494,636	(75,439)
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - October 1, 2019	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - September 30, 2020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORTS**

**Report of Independent Auditor on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial
Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Brenda K. Hoots,
Supervisor of Elections
Hendry County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hendry County, Florida, Supervisor of Elections, (the "Supervisor of Elections") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Supervisor of Election's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Supervisor of Elections' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Supervisor of Elections' internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Supervisor of Elections' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Supervisor's management, the Hendry County Florida, Board of County Commissioners, and the Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

Management Letter

Honorable Brenda K. Hoots,
Supervisor of Elections
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida, Supervisor of Elections (the "Supervisor of Elections"), Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 30, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County, Florida, Supervisor of Elections, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With Local Government Investment Policies

To the Honorable Brenda K. Hoots,
Supervisor of Elections
Hendry County, Florida

We have examined the Hendry County, Florida, Supervisor of Election's (the "Supervisor of Elections") compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies, for the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Supervisor of Election's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Supervisor of Election's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Supervisor of Elections complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Supervisor of Elections complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Supervisor of Election's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Supervisor of Elections complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2021.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Supervisor of Elections, the Auditor General, and the State of Florida, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022

SECTION VI

TAX COLLECTOR

Patrick B. Langford

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR

September 30, 2021

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,
TOGETHER WITH REPORTS OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

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Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable Patrick B. Langford
Tax Collector
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the fiduciary fund of the Hendry County, Florida, Tax Collector (the "Tax Collector"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Tax Collector's special purpose financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the fiduciary fund for the Tax Collector as of September 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position, where applicable, thereof for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

Basis of Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the "Rules"). In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Hendry County that is attributable to the Tax Collector. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Hendry County as of September 30, 2021, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the general fund budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2022, on our consideration of the Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters under the heading INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards, continued

The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida

June 30, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 917,479
Due from other governments	41,855
Total Assets	<u>\$ 959,334</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 12,505
Accrued liabilities	13,817
Due to other governments	297,775
Other liabilities	<u>635,237</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 959,334</u>

See accompanying note

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>
Revenue	
Charges for services	\$ 2,504,800
Miscellaneous	<u>3,709</u>
Total Revenue	<u>2,508,509</u>
Expenditures	
General Government	
Personal service	1,399,549
Operating expense	<u>175,948</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,575,497</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	
Other financing sources (uses)	
Operating transfers out	<u>(933,012)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(933,012)</u>
Excess of revenue and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-
Fund balance - October 1, 2020	<u>-</u>
Fund balance - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying note

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
ASSETS	
Cash	<u>\$ 883,968</u>
Total Assets	<u>883,968</u>
 LIABILITIES	
Due to other Governments	107,378
Due to individuals	<u>776,590</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>883,968</u>
 NET POSITION	
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	-
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

See accompanying note

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Total Custodial Funds
	<u> </u>
Additions:	
Taxes, permits, and fees	\$ 90,593,133
Charges for services	13,015
Other collections	<u>25,166</u>
	<u>90,631,314</u>
 Deductions:	
Payments to individuals	\$ 13,933,322
Payments to organizations	-
Payments to other governments	<u>76,697,992</u>
	<u>90,631,314</u>
Change in Net Position	-
Net Position, beginning	<u>-</u>
Net Position, ending	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

See accompanying note

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the more significant accounting principles and policies:

Reporting Entity

The Tax Collector, as an elected constitutional officer was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1 (d). As such, the Tax Collector's special purpose financial statements are included in the government wide financial statements of Hendry County, the primary government. A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Based on the criteria established by Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Number 14, "Financial Reporting Entity", there are no component units included in the Tax Collector's financial statements.

(a) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Tax Collector are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds, based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The following fund types are utilized by the Tax Collector:

Governmental Funds

The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Tax Collector, which are not properly accounted for in another fund. All operating revenues, which are not specifically restricted or designated as to use, are recorded in the General Fund. Excess revenues at the end of the year, due back to the Board of County Commissioners, are shown as operating transfers out.

Fiduciary Funds

The Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by public officials in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

(b) Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Measurement Focus

The General Fund is accounted for on a "spending" or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Accordingly, the reported undesignated fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of available, spendable or appropriable resources. General operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include:

1. Principal and interest on general long-term debt, which is recognized when due; and
2. Expenditures are not divided between years by the recording of prepaid expenses.

Budgetary Process

Chapter 195, Florida Statutes, governs the preparation, adoption and amendment process of the Tax Collector's annual budget. A budget is only required to be prepared for the General Fund. The Tax Collector's budget and amendments are prepared independently of the Board of County Commissioners and are approved by the State of Florida Department of Revenue. A copy of the approved budget is provided to the Board of County Commissioners.

The budget for the General Fund is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The annual budget serves as the legal authorization for expenditures. The level of control for appropriations is exercised at the functional level.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Tax Collector.

(c) Assets, Liabilities and Equity

Capital Assets

Acquisitions of tangible personal property are recorded as expenditures in the General Fund at the time of purchase. These assets are reported to the Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners and are recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the Board.

Compensated Absences

The Tax Collector's employees accumulate sick and annual leave based on the number of years of continuous service and other criteria. Upon termination of employment, employees generally receive payment for accumulated paid time off (PTO).

As of September 30, 2021, the Tax Collector had \$52,694 in long-term compensated absences payable. This amount is reported in the government-wide financial statements of Hendry County, Florida.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Compensated Absences - (Continued)

Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", requires the compensated absences liability to be measured using the salary rate in effect at the balance sheet date and requires additional amounts to be accrued for certain salary related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences. The liability shown in the financial statements of Hendry County has been accrued in accordance with this criteria.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

During the fiscal year, the Tax Collector maintained deposits in interest-bearing savings and checking accounts. At September 30, 2021, the bank balance of all accounts was \$2,331,094, and the book balance of deposits was \$1,795,217.

The Tax Collector had \$6,230 of cash on hand at September 30, 2021.

The deposits whose values exceeded the limits of federal depository insurance are entirely insured or collateralized pursuant to the Public Depository Security Act of the State of Florida, Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes.

The Tax Collector held no investments during the fiscal year.

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

The Tax Collector's employees participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). As provided by Chapters 121 and 112, Florida Statutes, the FRS provides two cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plans administered by the Florida Department of Management Service, Division of Retirement, including the FRS Pension Plan ("Pension Plan") and the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy ("HIS Plan"). Under Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, the FRS also provides a defined contribution plan ("Investment Plan") alternative to the FRS Pension Plan, which is administered by the State Board of Administration.

As a general rule, membership in the FRS is compulsory for all employees working in a regularly established position for a state agency, county government, district school board, state university, community college, or a participating city or special district within the State of Florida. The FRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code. Amendments to the law can be made only by an act of the Florida Legislature.

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TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Plan Description - (Continued)

Benefits under the Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age, average final compensation, and service credit. For Pension Plan members enrolled before July 1, 2011, Regular class members who retire at or after age 62 with at least six years of credited service, or 30 years of service regardless of age are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly for life, equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation based on the five highest years of salary, for each year of credited service. Vested regular class members with less than 30 years of service may retire before age 62 and are entitled to a retirement benefit payable monthly also equal to 1.6% of their final average compensation for each year of credited service based on the five highest years of salary, with a 5% reduction for each year under age 62. Substantial changes were made to the Pension Plan during fiscal year 2011, affecting new members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011 by extending the vesting requirement to eight years of credited service and increasing normal retirement to age 65 or 33 years of service regardless of age. Also, the final average compensation for these members is based on the eight highest years of salary.

Funding Policy

All enrolled members of the FRS Pension Plan are required to contribute 3.0% of their salary to the FRS. In addition to member contributions, governmental employers are required to make contributions to the FRS based on statewide contribution rates. The employer contribution rates by job class for the periods from October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, respectively, were as follows: regular 10.00% and 10.82%; county elected officers 49.18% and 51.42%; senior management 27.29% and 29.01%; and DROP participants 16.98% and 18.34%. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Tax Collector contributed to the plan an amount equal to 8.43% of covered payroll.

The HIS Plan provides a monthly benefit to assist retirees in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly health insurance subsidy payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service, with a minimum payment of \$30 and a maximum payment of \$150 per month. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employees as set forth by Florida Legislature, based on a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members.

For those members who elect participation in the Investment Plan, rather than the Pension Plan, vesting occurs at one year of service. These participants receive a contribution for self-direction in an investment product with a third party administrator selected by the State Board of Administration. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices.

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 3 - RETIREMENT PLAN - (Continued)

Funding Policy - (Continued)

Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll by forfeited benefits of plan members.

The Tax Collector recognizes pension expenditures in an amount equal to amounts paid to the Pension Plan, the HIS Plan and the defined contribution plan, amounting to \$76,878, \$14,981, and \$13,654, respectively, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Tax Collector's payments after June 30, 2021, the measurement date used to determine the net pension liability associated with the Pension Plan and HIS Plan, amounted to \$25,041, and \$3,978, respectively. The Tax Collector is not legally required to and does not accumulate expendable available resources to liquidate the retirement obligation related to its employees. Accordingly, the net pension liability and associated deferred outflows and deferred inflows are presented on the government-wide financial statements of the County, following requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68, effective October 1, 2014.

The State of Florida annually issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the FRS. The latest available report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, Department of Management Services, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or from the Web site www.ams.mvflorida.com/retirement.

NOTE 4 - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

The following changes in general long-term debt occurred during the year ended September 30, 2021:

Long-term debt payable at October 1, 2020	\$ 57,918
Increase (decrease) in accrued compensated absences	<u>(5,224)</u>
Long-term debt payable at September 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 52,694</u></u>

General long-term debt is comprised of the following:

Noncurrent portion of compensated absences	
Employees of the Tax Collector are entitled to paid leave time based on length of service and job classification.	<u><u>\$ 52,694</u></u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2021

NOTE 5 - CONTINGENCIES

The Tax Collector is involved from time to time in certain routine litigation, the substance of which as other liabilities for recoveries, would not materially affect the financial position of the Tax Collector.

NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Tax Collector participates in the County-wide insurance program. The Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners is a member of Public Risk Management (PRM), a local government liability risk

PRM administers insurance activities relating to property, general, automobile, public official's liability, worker's compensation, health, and auto physical damage. The pool assesses each member its pro-rata share of the estimated amount required to meet current year losses, operating expenses and reinsurance costs (premiums).

To reduce its exposure to large losses on all types of insured events PRM uses reinsurance policies purchased from third-party carriers. The fund is fully funded annually. The premiums for this coverage are paid by the various Constitutional Officers and Board of County Commissioners on a per employee coverage basis.

Charges to operating departments are based upon amounts believed by management to meet the required annual payout during the fiscal year and to pay for the estimated operating costs of the program and for premiums for third party carrier insurance plans. For fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, the Tax Collector was charged \$282,531.

NOTE 7 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Tax Collector provides postemployment health care benefits in accordance with Section 112.0801, *Florida Statutes*, to all employees who retire from the Tax Collector. The Tax Collector is required to provide health care coverage at cost to all retirees but does not pay any portion of the premium of the retiree to participate in the Tax Collector's group health care plan. The liability and expense for other postemployment benefits, calculated in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, are reported in the financial statements of the County.

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
GENERAL FUND

Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,753,105	\$ 1,753,105	\$ 2,504,800	\$ 751,695
Miscellaneous	-	-	3,709	3,709
Total Revenues	1,753,105	1,753,105	2,508,509	755,404
Expenditures				
General Government				
Personal services	1,534,146	1,534,146	1,399,549	134,597
Operating expenses	218,959	218,959	175,948	43,011
Total Expenditures	1,753,105	1,753,105	1,575,497	177,608
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	933,012	(933,012)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers out	-	-	(933,012)	933,012
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	(933,012)	933,012
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - October 1, 2020	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION**

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
September 30, 2021

	<u>Tax Collection and Redemption</u>	<u>Tag and Licenses</u>	<u>Waste Collection</u>	<u>Employee Concession</u>	<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 861,338	\$ -	\$ 22,192	\$ 438	\$ 883,968
Total Assets	<u>861,338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,192</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>883,968</u>
 LIABILITIES					
Due to other governments	85,186	-	22,192	-	107,378
Due to individuals	<u>776,152</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>776,590</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>861,338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,192</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>883,968</u>
 NET POSITION					
Restricted for:					
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	-	-	-	-	-
Total Net Position	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
TAX COLLECTOR
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Tax Collection and Redemption	Tag and Licenses	Waste Collection	Employee Concession	Total Custodial Funds
Additions:					
Taxes, permits, and fees	\$81,545,970	\$9,047,163	\$ -	\$ -	\$90,593,133
Charges for services	-	-	13,015	-	13,015
Other collections	-	-	-	25,166	25,166
Total additions	<u>81,545,970</u>	<u>9,047,163</u>	<u>13,015</u>	<u>25,166</u>	<u>90,631,314</u>
Deductions:					
Payments to individuals	\$13,908,156	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,166	\$13,933,322
Payments to organizations	-	-	-	-	-
Payments to other governments	67,637,814	9,047,163	13,015	-	76,697,992
Total deductions	<u>81,545,970</u>	<u>9,047,163</u>	<u>13,015</u>	<u>25,166</u>	<u>90,631,314</u>
Change in Net Position	-	-	-	-	-
Net Position, beginning	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Position, ending	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on
Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

Honorable Patrick B. Langford
Tax Collector
Hendry County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the fiduciary fund of the Hendry County, Florida, Tax Collector (the "Tax Collector"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Tax Collector's special purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Tax Collector's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Tax Collector's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Tax Collector's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Tax Collector's management, the Hendry County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners, and the Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022



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Independent Auditor's Management Letter

Honorable Patrick B. Langford
Tax Collector
Hendry County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hendry County, Florida, Tax Collector (the "Tax Collector"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 30, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective action has been taken to address the finding and recommendation made in the preceding financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Hendry County, Florida, Tax Collector of Circuit Court, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Report of Independent Accountant on Compliance With Local Government Investment Policies

Honorable Patrick L. Langford
Tax Collector
Hendry County, Florida

We have examined the Hendry County, Florida, Tax Collector's (the "Tax Collector") compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies, for the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Tax Collector's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Tax Collector's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Tax Collector complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Tax Collector complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Tax Collector's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Tax Collector complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2021.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Tax Collector and the Auditor General, State of Florida, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ashley, Brown & Smith

Punta Gorda, Florida
June 30, 2022